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## NAMES IN THE NEWS

Added to the Coley's population just before Christmas was Vivian English, right, who will give piano lessons. Miss English, who hails from New York and Hartford, Connecticut, has accompanied singers and instrumentalists, and given public recitals, in addition to her instruction work.



Mayoría de empleado en haya un bolen di 10 aña cu edad di 25 pa 50 aña. Simon Diréaz, a haya un bolen di 10 aña luna pasá cu edad di 24 aña, y a 10 un di 20 aña un mes pasá cu a yega di haya bolen aki. El a nace dia 12 di Februari di 1917. El a cuminsa traha como aprendiz di Pipa Shop layout a su puerbano na e grupo di Pipa Shop layout.

Most employees who receive long-year service continue use anywhere from 25 to 50 years old when they round out their first decade. Simon Diréaz, though, got his last month of 10, and is one of the youngest men ever to receive the better here. Born February 12, 1917, he became an apprentice when he was 16. He is now in the Pipa Shop layout group.



Frank W. Abrams (above) was elected chairman of the board of directors of S. O. Co. (below), succeeding Ralph W. Gallagher (below), who retired December 21, after 48 years with Jersey Standard. See column 2 for story.



The first two men to avail themselves of the opportunity to use the 16 2/3 per cent Company contribution in the new vacation plan were Wilfred Jackson of L.O.F., and Nicasio Fingel of the Pressure Stills, on January 1.

## Sub-Comité de Comisario Consultativo de Empleado en la Mira Facilidatnan pa Cuminda Fresco y Problemanan cu ta Presenta pa Provee nan.

E Sub-Comité di Comisario den Planta di Comis Consultativo di Empleadoan cu ta consisti di Erikinde Anderson, Pedro Brook y Joaquin Maduro, a compañía J. J. Abadie di Colony Service y Clifton Monroe di Personnel pasandó tur e facilidatnan di e instalacion di refrigeracion y di Comisario dia 11 di December y a no mes tempo nan a discutí cu personal di Comisario e mayor problema nan cu ta presentá pa provee cuminda fresco pa e milisanan di bende cu traba na Lago.

Diferente motionban grandi durante añanan di guerra a rebahá e cantidad cu tabata disponibel y a afectá tambe e cualidad di e fruta y berduranan cu ta wordo obtene.

Pa via cu lugar pa transportá carga ta scars riba barconan y pa via cu Ejército Americano tabata mester di tanto cuminda, e reserva di cuminda pa Aruba tabata bopi biaha masha scars.

Pa bringa e imposibilidad na haya cuminda fresco, nan a bin haci un combenio cu cumukeronan Venezolano pa nan cultivá cuminda na Lago. Na principio Gobierno di Venezuela tabata vacilá pa duna Compañia permisón pa saka e cuminda fo'i e lugar, pero a la fin nan a bin acoerdá. bista cu Compañia mes ta manda simivanan. Esaki a socedé y e plan trahado di tur banda a cuminsá traha.

Shiendo cu e cumukeronan tabata plañá riba un area grandi na Venezuela y no tabatin un mercado di depósito na unda e cuminda por e forma colecta y prepará pa embarcación, mester a traha un depósito na Valera. Tur e cuminda ta wordo colectá den e depósito y di ey e ta bal den truck pa Maracaibo unda ta cargá na bordo di lake tankerman. E promé produccion cu yega Valera mester keda warda e' te ora tin bastante pa yena un truck. Tin hec e cuminda mester keda un siman sin refrigeracion, loque ta causa cu un cantidad basta formal ta dañá. Ora un carga ta completo, e biaha den truck cu ta dura 8 ora ta cuminsá, riba cada

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## Abrams New Chairman As Gallagher Retires

Resignation of Ralph W. Gallagher as chairman of the board of directors of Standard Oil Company (N.J.) was announced December 21, and became effective ten days later. The board at the same time announced the election of Frank W. Abrams, a vice-president and director, as chairman to succeed Mr. Gallagher. With the change, R.T. Haslam, a director since 1942, becomes a vice-president, and S. P. Coleman, head of economics and coordination, becomes a director.

Mr. Gallagher, who retires after 49 years of service with Jersey Standard and its affiliates, went to work at 16 as an oiler in a pumping station. (His duties included sweeping out the station every day.) At night he studied engineering. In 1900 he went with the East Ohio Gas Company, and after holding a succession of construction and supervising positions, became president of East Ohio in 1926. He was elected a director of Jersey Standard in 1932, became vice-president in 1937, and was made chairman of the board in 1942.

Mr. Abrams, the new board chairman, was employed as a draftsman by the Eagle Works at Jersey City in 1912 after graduating from Syracuse University. In 1914 he became assistant superintendent of Eagle Works, and three years later became superintendent. He was subsequently made manager of that unit and the Parkersburg, West Virginia, refinery. He was named head of all refining operations of the company in the New Jersey area in 1926, and was elected president of S. O. of New Jersey in 1933. He was elected to Jersey Standard's board in 1940, and was made a vice-president in 1944.

Mr. Haslam, a research and general sales expert, has been with the Company since 1927, while Mr. Coleman's service exceeds 25 years.

## Refinery Decorated for First Peacetime Xmas

A great wartime producer of an essential war material, aviation gas, became a gigantic symbol of peacetime late in December when the Cat Plant was converted into a 22-story Christmas tree with colored lights and an illuminated star on top. (See picture below).

The star, ten feet high, was equipped with windmill blades to make it revolve in the wind, and it was visible over much of the eastern end of Aruba.

Clubs and Dining Halls were decorated, and safety boards were surrounded by bright colored lights. At the Main Gate and the Main Office, floodlighted silver Christmas trees and big lighted signs displaying the two-language phrase "Felices Pascuas y Happy New Year" bore season's greetings to employees.

Un productor di gasoline di aviacion, cu ta un material importante di guerra, tabata un simbolo gigantesco di paz, ora cu e Cat Planta tabata tur un luznan di color y cu un strea iluminá na top, representando un Kerstboom di 22 piso. (Mira e portret aki bao.)

E strea cu tabata 10 pia halto y cu tabata construi di tal manera cu e tabata draai cu viento tabata visibel di e distancia basta leu pa banda p'ariba di e isla.

Club y Dining Hallnan tabata dorá y borchinan di Seguridad tabata tur un luznan brijante di color. Na Main Gate y na Main Office tabatin Kerstboomnan plateá y iluminá y letereronan cendí cu e deseo na dos idioma. "Felices Pascuas y Happy New Year" tabata extende saludonan di temporada na tur empleado.

A great war-material producer becomes a symbol of peace and Christmas cheer.



## Sickness, Accident, and Death Policies Revised With Greater Benefits

A new death benefit plan and also important revisions in both the sickness benefits policy and the accident benefits policy for all Staff and Regular employees were announced December 29.

Under the new plan, if an employee dies of a non-industrial cause while in the service of the Company, his family is eligible for benefits which vary according to the employee's length of service.

These benefits range from three months' to one year's normal earnings according to the length of service of the deceased.

The main revisions of the sickness benefit policy provide for compensation for the time lost from work because of sickness or accidental injury not incurred in the line of duty; and there is a medical leave of absence provision with certain of the expenses paid.

The liberalization of the accident benefits policy provides additional benefits according to the employee's length of service.

Details of these plans will be published in the next issue.



# NEWS and VIEWS



Queen of the movie means is Claire Trevor, who has a way of teasing off viewers without a second thought. Her latest make in the great role, is with George Hall in RKO Radio's "Johnny Angel".



Brandon Moses, the boy in the front row at right, had plenty of playmates to help him celebrate his sixth birthday December 13 at his Lago Heights home. His father is James Moses of the Prefecture.

Ahi nos ta mira Luis Koch di Paint Shop cu e placid di brom cu nan a traha na Foundry pa e edicion nobe di Club Surimam.

A distinctive addition to the new building of the Surinam Club, which opened its doors December 28, was the bronze plaque shown at right, made by Luis Koch. The Foundry cast the bronze, the Machine Shop finished and polished it, and the Paint Shop put a coat of protective lacquer on it. Luis Koch is holding it up for the picture.



The merry-go-round whirled, youngsters squealed with delight. Some gave out to a present, and a program of dances added to the merriment at the ESO Club Kids' Party on December 23. Free refreshments were on hand and the use of the merry-go-round was donated by Ed de Voe for the party. The big picture shows the kids waiting impatiently for their turn on the merry-go-round and the inset shows them hard at it.

One year and three months of lively fun is written on this little girl's face, and the boy's rosy cheeks probably come from trying to keep up with her. The girl, however, and her brother, Aaldert, are children of Olivia van der Grinten, by de Carpentiers.



After years of displaying a dull "slipshod gray" color, the spheres are coming out of their workshop and into gleaming silver. Filled with greasless aviation gasoline, they were hurriedly painted early in the war to make them less visible at night from the sea. It takes 125 gallons of paint for every coat on these 100,000-horse horsepower.







**Aruba Cricketers Win First Gonsalves Cup From Curaçao**

Wilhelmina Sport Park was the scene on Saturday, December 29, and Sunday, December 30, of the first official inter-island tournament for the Gonsalves Cricket Trophy. An All-Curaçao XI travelled here to meet two Aruba XI's for the trophy. On Saturday the match was between All-Curaçao and the Cambridge Combined Sport Club, with Captain Yearwood declaring his innings at 104 for 8 against the Cambridge XI's 56. Cambridge Combined batted again and lost 9 wickets for 50 runs at the close of play.

On the following day the All-Aruba XI was matched against the All-Curaçao XI and Captain Brown of All-Aruba, declaring his innings at 165 for 9, got the visiting team out for 100 just before the close of play.

This series of matches, organized by Cyril Brown of Instrument, brought the Gonsalves Cup to Aruba where it will remain until next year when it will be put up again.

Among the outstanding players were: for Curaçao, Heving Griffith, Barra, and Howell; for Aruba they were McLean, Worrell Edwards, Perrott, Howe, Kahn and Campbell.

Fair weather favored the tournament, a pleasant change from last year's deluge in Curaçao where both matches were rained out.

**FOOTBALL STANDINGS FINAL**

**Aloe League**

Col. Ser. Adm.	P.	W.	L.	Td.	Pts.
Machinist	8	5	0	3	13
Personnel	8	5	1	2	12
Gas-Poly	8	4	3	1	9
Press. Skills	8	3	3	1	9
Dining Halls	8	2	4	1	5
Training	8	1	6	1	3
Storehouse	8	1	6	1	3
Marine	7	0	7	0	0

**Divi Divi League**

Utilities	8	7	0	1	15
Light Oils	8	6	0	2	14
Drydock	8	4	2	2	10
Accounting	8	4	2	2	10
Welding	8	4	3	1	9
Communications	8	3	5	0	6
T. S. D.	8	2	6	0	4
R. & S.	8	1	7	0	2
Hydro-Alky	7	0	7	0	0

**Employee Is Soldier for A Day To Pitch Teammates to Victory**

The Netherlands Army must have a powerful hold on Juan Maduro. After working from 1937 to 1943 on the Drydock he was inducted into the Dutch Army and served until November 30 1945. He came back to work at his old job on December 5. Two weeks later he was back with the army again but under different circumstances; this time he was the star pitcher on the army football team which went over to Curaçao for a weekend to play an army team over there. The team from Aruba played well and succeeded in winning a cup.

Later in the same weekend the Arubans played football against a Shell team, and after a tough game the soldiers were presented with medals by their opponents. The trip lasted from December 21 to December 24.

Para cu Edecricto Holandea no ke laga Juan Maduro bai. Despues di a traha na Drydock di 1937 te 1943 a mester a grena Schutterij y el a sirbi te dia 30 di November 1945. El a cuminsa traha na su job biecu dia 5 di December. Dos a mas despues e tabata den Schutterij otro, pero bao di circunstancianan diferente. E binha aki e tabata e pitcher di e bai Curaçao pa nan hunga durante un weekend. E Arubianonan a hunga masha bon y a logra na gana un copa.

**Utilities and Col. Serv. Win League; Playoff To Be Held 13th & 20th**

Emerging victorious after 11 weeks of keen competition, two teams, Colony Service Administration of the Aloe League and Utilities of the Divi-Divi League, were successful in beating off the best efforts of their less powerful rivals and gained the championships of the respective leagues. These teams, with the second place winners in each league, will play January 13 and 20 for the big championship cup.

The football competition, which started on October 21 and lasted until January 6, got under way slowly, but a definite interest was established as the season progressed. In the beginning it was a see-saw battle until teams with more on the ball than the rest moved out in front and stayed there.

In the Aloe league, Colony Service Administration went quickly to the fore and has succeeded in holding its position. The story is the same for Utilities in the Divi-Divi League. Teams like Machinists, Light Oils, Personnel and Drydock were in there until the last gun fired and made it tough for the leaders all the way.

Reaching second place in the Aloe league was the strong Machinists team. And in the Divi-Divi League, Light Oils finishing last year's champions, filled the second place slot.

On Sunday, January 13, the first of a two game series of playoff games will be played with the first place team in each league meeting the second place team in the other league to decide which two teams will be in the final game for the championship on Sunday, January 20, at the Sport Park.

Games on the 13th will start at 3:00 p.m. with Colony Service Administration meeting Light Oils, and at 4:30 Utilities and the Machinists will clash.

The winners of these two games will go at each other on the 20th at 4:00 for the championship of the Sport Park Football League. After the championship has been decided the plans are to select an All-Star Lago team for possible competition against prominent island teams.

Football players, 31 of them, was caught by rain at the Sport Park recent weekends waiting for departmental hours—



At right are the Weldon, both in uniform. Walter Francisco, Lugo, Emilio Weterman, Giffens, Wladimir (front row, P. de la B. Grande, B. de la B. Grande, M. J. van der Straat but not in the picture are also Leala, Fabia Ris, and Eddy Lala.



Above is the Drydock team, back row, Jans M. Maduro, Caserio Dirks, Lorenzo Cortila, Ambrado Lado, Cecil D. Buse, Mariano Buitik, F. van Wier, front row, Nino Euzman, Brando Buitik, Venancio Selgnier, John Geerman, Lorenzo Kelly.



Above is the Pressure Skills team, back row, Gerontino Panellik, Antonio Maduro, James Esser, Andre Dufre, Griques Green, front row, Robert D. Freitas, Serape Tromp, Reginald McLean, Pedro Stocco, Leopold Tromp.



Above is the Communications team, back row, Jess Paulino, Don Williams, Giel Bruno, Joseph Peterson, Bill Richardson, front row, Medardo P. Matias, Medardo, front row, Marcelo Maduro, de Witte, Jose La Cruz.



Above is the Utilities team, back row, Alberto Kock, Sixto Franken, Mirto Lado, Frans Kalkbom, Ashilio Leo, Humberto Panellik, John Peter Matias, Medardo, front row, Marcelo Maduro, Francisco Romar, Gregorio Franken, Adriaan Wierman, Henrique Dirks, Felipe Quast.

**Utilities y Colony Service Lo Hunco Weganan Final pa Campionato Dia 13 y Dia 20**

Despues di 11 s-man di competicion fuerte a bai victoriosao e derterman di Colony Service Administration di Liga di Aloe y Utilities di Liga di Divi-divi como campoman di nan Liga respectivamente. E terman aki y e dos terman cu ta segundo campoman di cada Liga lo hunca dia 13 di Januari y dia 20 na e copa grandi di campionato.

Segundo team di Liga di Aloe ta e team fuerte di Machinists y di Liga di Divi-divi, e campoman di anja pasa, Light Oils finishing ta e segundo team.

Diadomingo 13 di Januari, e dos prome weganan lo tuma lugar, cu e prome team di un Liga hungando contra e segundo team di e otro Liga pa decidi cual lo ta e dos terman cu lo hunca e weg final pa campionato riba Diadomingo, 20 di Januari na Sport Park.

Dia 13 weganan lo cuminsa 3'or di media entre Colony Service Administration y Light Oils y 4:30 di atardi Utilities lo hunca contra Machinists.

E dos terman cu lo gana e weganan aki lo contra otro dia 20 di atardi riba dia 20 di Januari pa Campionato di Liga di Futbol di Sport Park.

Despues cu campionato ta establecido, tin plannan pa formacion di un "All Star Lago Team", cu posiblemente lo competi contra e terman prominente di Aruba.





NAMES IN THE NEWS



A journalistic visitor early in January was S. Sgt. Donald Russell, above, editor and owner of the magazine "Seawater" at Ciudad Trujillo, Santo Domingo. He was here collecting material for a forthcoming special issue of his magazine, all of which will be devoted to Aruba, with a portion about Lago. Mr. Russell was much impressed with Aruba's development and with the Company's place in the community.

No comendacione di honorario nos tabata na 20 siglo por-ende, caba S. Sgt. Donald Russell a duna un revista "Seawater" di Ciudad Trujillo cu un material pa un numero special di e revista, naturalmente dedica na Aruba, cu un parti afor di Lago. E comendacione di honorario ta un premio cu Lago tin den e comunidad.



Looking now the way he did four years in a prison camp after his ship was sunk by a German raider, Captain James Anderson poses for his picture in San Diego harbor. For many of his adventures see page 2.

The Bronze Star Medal was presented to S. Sgt. Donald Russell in a ceremony in Shanghai recently. Don, since discharged from the Army has just returned to Aruba with his wife to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Russell. He plans to return to college in the States.

In his early years he worked on a sugar plantation in Grenada, B. W. I. then spent 21 years in Trinidad working as a horse and buggy driver and later as a bus conductor. He got his start in oil refining in Venezuela where he worked firing boilers in the oil fields there.

Old-Timer Retires From L.O.F. After Sixteen Years Service

James David at last has his chance to settle down, smoke his pipe and look after his chickens. He retired from work last month at the age of 65. In his early years he worked on a sugar plantation in Grenada, B. W. I. then spent 21 years in Trinidad working as a horse and buggy driver and later as a bus conductor. He got his start in oil refining in Venezuela where he worked firing boilers in the oil fields there.

He intends to remain in Aruba for a short while, then visit his home in Grenada, which he has not seen in 43 years. Eventually he plans to live at St. Vincent, his wife's home.

"Aruba" Takes Part In Battle for Balikpapan

"Believe It or Not" is the surprising revelation that the good ship "Aruba" helped bombard the Balikpapan Refinery in Borneo before Allied forces took it away from the Japs. The story comes from J. P. Wiley, a recent new employee in T. S. D., who was a Lt. Commander in the U. S. Navy and navigator of the U. S. S. Beaver during the war.

As he tells it: "This is one of those Now it can be told stories

One of my last combatant assignments in the Navy prior to the end of the war with Japan was at Balikpapan in Dutch Borneo in June 1945. It was the mission of our task group, consisting of two U. S. light cruisers and several destroyers, to bombard enemy positions in and around the town of Balikpapan and the Balikpapan oil refinery, to cover the operation of minesweepers preparatory to a landing by Australian troops under the overall command of General MacArthur. It was a two weeks job from the 15th of June until the landing on July 1. Several times our minesweepers were fired on by shore batteries necessitating almost continuous neutralizing fire on our part during the daylight hours.

Some of the Japanese positions were in, or adjacent to the large oil refinery, part of which is built on the top of a hill on Balikpapan peninsula and was in clear view of our gunners, as also was a large part of the town. Naturally damage to the remaining oil installations could not be avoided and several fires were started which were visible far out to sea when we retired from the area at night.

And now for the point of the story. During the course of the bombardment we were joined for a period of ten days by the Dutch light cruiser, H.N.M.S. Tromp, and later by the Australian cruiser Shropshire and Hobart, making it a really international squadron. Under the conditions of modern naval warfare, the old methods of signaling between ships such as flag hoist, blinker, or even dot and dash radio transmission are too slow in the heat of battle, particularly with ships of different navies that are operating together for the first time. Accordingly voice radio is used almost exclusively for tactical signals and is the only method used at night. In order not to disclose the identity of the ships of our force, each ship, each unit, and each unit commander is given a code name. My own ship, the U. S. S. Beaver, had various code names during the war such as "Razor", "Privater", and "Omery".

Now when the Tromp arrived on the scene, there was no code name for her in the U. S. Navy call book so one had to be selected. I don't know who selected the name but in any case I thought it quite appropriate when the H.N.M.S. Tromp became "Aruba" in all voice radio transmissions. "Aruba" constituted ourselves in receiving enemy positions prior to the landing and assisted twice in repulsing night air attacks. We enjoyed working with the Tromp during that brief period. Never failing to catch a signal, she would reply promptly "This is Aruba, roger, out."

DON'T TRUST THAT SOUVENIR

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Holland Vri! It was a great day when this was proclaimed, and one of the ways of commemorating the long-awaited event was this title, a copy of which was recently brought back from the Netherlands by Dr. J. van Oortrop. The title, which is an attractive cover, shows the Netherlands Ship at stake in full sail in the background the Dutch sea in driving away the German eagle (seen at top edge of the sky). The scene is surrounded by the Netherlands seal and those of the eleven provinces.

Holanda Libre! Tabata na dia promé, dia cu esaki a wordo proclamá y un di e modanan pa conmemorá e dia ta anochi, tabata zandando di costu Dr. J. Van Oortrop a traha un copia di Holanda recitacione. E zandao di e dia ta coloran atractivo ta muestra a Barca di Holanda tabata na stake. Pafo di dia e solo Dronca ta corre cu a cuban Aleman (fora arriba den sky). Mando di e barca ta anochi rodea cu e selanan Holanda y esnan di e 11 provincia.

Museum Writes Lago Girl About Odd Local Snake

If you should see a Crotalus unicolor wandering about you some day it would be a good idea if you got out of the vicinity in a hurry. On the other hand, there might be ten dollars in it for you. Russ Ewing of T.S.D. and Maude Thomas of the School started a long chain of circumstances recently when they almost stepped on one near the Sea Grape grove one day. Since Crotalus unicolor is a species of rattlesnake peculiar to Aruba, they jumped back in a hurry, after which Russ knocked his head off with a machete and brought it back to the Colony. Maude Thomas took it to the School as a curiosity and Connie Gritte saw it. Connie was interested in its singular lack of color and absence of markings; so she wrote a letter to the American Museum of Natural History in New York asking if there was anything of interest connected with this particular snake. The letter she received in return rewarded her curiosity considerably. It told her that the rattler in question was a species one, being found only on Aruba and that a live specimen might be worth ten dollars to the Museum.

The letter went on to state, "... that these white rattlesnakes on Aruba may have evolved the white coloration because of its protective value on the white coral sand inhabited... Aruba rattlesnake has greyish and blackish eyes indicating that it is not an albino type but a distinct insular species. You may be interested to know of almost 50 different kinds of rattlesnake only three, including the Aruba snake, are known south of Panama."

Connie's scientific interest doesn't stop at snakes; recently a New York paper commented on her report about the moon's eclipse November 18. Eclipsed moons and "albino" snakes — they're all part of the daily round to Connie.

"Aruba" a Tuma Parti Den Batalla di Balikpapan

E vapor "Aruba" a yuda bombardá e refinaria di Balikpapan na Borneo promé cu fuercanan Aliado a kité for di Japonnan.

Esun cu ta conta esaki ta J. P. Wiley, un empleado nobo cu tabata Lieutenant Commander den Marino Americano durante di guerra.

E ta sigui conta asina: "Un di mi último misionan di combate den Marino promé cu fin di guerra cu Japon, tabata na Balikpapan den Borneo Holandes na Juni di 1945.

Tabata mision di nos grupo di combate, cu tabata consisti di nos cruzero Americano y varios destroyer, di bombardier, posicionan den enemigo den y rond di stad y e refinaria di petrolo di Balikpapan, pa protegé trabao di dragaminan pa prepará bahamento di tropanan di Australia, hoo di comando di General MacArthur.

Durante curso di e bombardamento e cruzero Holandes, Tromp a uni cu nos pa 10 dia. Bao di condicionan di guerra naval moderno, e modanan bieu di señalá entre vaporan cu bander, cend y pagu di luz y basta transmision telegrafico masha ta mucho poco-poco den furor di batalla, especialmente ora vaporan di diferente Marino ta traha hunto pa promé best. Pesey nos ta usa radio semper. Pa esunigo no por identifia nos barconan, cada un tabatin un bñganam. A seode cu ora "Tromp" a hini no tabatin ningun bñganam pe den boeki y mester a busca un nomber pe. Mi no sa ta ken a proponé, pero mi a haya cu tabata un idea masha bon ora cu Tromp a haya e bñganam di "Aruba" den transmisionan di radio. "Aruba" a contribui materialmente den reduccion di posicionan di enemigo promé cu bahamento na tera y a yuda dos bñban pa stop ataquenan aereo den anochi. Nos a gora di traha cu "Tromp" durante e tapgo cortico ey. Nunca e tabata laga un señal pasa voorbij, contestando semper, "Esaki ta Aruba, tur cos ta O.K."

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(Stars after a name indicates that that reporter has turned in a tip for this issue.)

## SPEAK OF THE DEVIL

Occasionally in conversation when someone mentions a third person, that person may unexpectedly appear soon afterward. Then someone is likely to say "Speak of the Devil and he shows up."

It seems the *Esso News* "Spoke of the Devil" in the last issue, when we published a picture of a rusted bomb found on the beach, together with a warning against meddling with such relics of war. Only a few days later an Acid Plant employee narrowly escaped losing an eye or possibly his life by failing to heed the warning.

At the request of a friend, he was filling an empty 50 caliber cartridge with lead, for use as a paperweight. The shell was supposedly empty; however, the primer that sets off the main powder charge had never been taken out. When the molten metal made it explode, the four-inch-long shell, now heavy with lead, blasted off the bench and struck the leadburner in the forehead only half an inch from his eyes. By a miracle he was not seriously hurt, but the blow, which was hard enough to bend the brass lip of the shell could have destroyed his eye or even killed him.

A similar accident in one of the Company's U.S. refineries last month had more tragic results. The son of an employee was playing with a "war souvenir" — the same type of shell that caused the accident here, only with the powder and projectile still in the casing. This shell went off, and the innocent "souvenir" blew the boy's hand completely off and destroyed one of his father's eyes.

Practically all munitions, from the smallest cartridge to the biggest shell or bomb, are made to kill or maim human beings. That they succeed is one of the tragedies of war. But no less tragic are the results when peace-time civilians handle them unwisely.

Don't be foolish. The only safe shell, loaded or empty, is one that is being left strictly alone.

## PAPIA DI DIABEL, BO TA TRAPA RIBA SU RABO . . . . I

Asina un proverbio ta bisa. Porcu cu *Esso News* a papia di diabel den e ultimo numero, ora cu nos a publica portret di un bom rustu cu nan a haya na canto di lamar, cu un spiertamento acerca pa no morsi cu sorto di cosnan asina. Solamente algun dia despues un empleado di Acid Plant a hera di perde su bista den asta su bida mes, pasobra e no a tumo a spiertamento na serio.

Riba ridimento di un amigo e tabata yena un cartuchito bashi cu lood, pa traha un papawebenti di dije. E cartuchito tabata parece bashi, pero e thi polver mas baa, cu ta pega e resto di polver den e cartuchi, ta bota aden adena. Ora cu e metal gesmet a pone explot, e cartuchi di 4 duim di largo a bula dal e hontar na su frente, mei duim di su wovo. Pa milogro e no a wordo gravemente herida, pasobra e explosión cu tabata basta fuerte pa doble rang di e cartuchi por a bida distribi su wovo of hasta metes.

Un desgracia mas o menos coseno a pasa na un di e refinarian di Compania na Merca luna pasá y cu resultadonan mas tragico. Jioe homber di un empleado tabata hunga cu un "souvenir di guerra" — metcos cu esun cu a causa e desgracia aki, poro a polver y e proyectil tabata "den adena. El a explota y e "souvenir" inocente a bula e mucha su man of henteramento y a distribi un wovo di su tata.

Casi tur munición ta trahá pa mata of destrui hende. Cu esaki ta logra ta un di tragedianan di guerra. Pero no menos tragico e resultadonan ora cu den tempo di paz civilian ta usenan sin sa drechi di nan. No descuida. E moda di mas sigur y di larga cosnan cu bo no sa ta kico para keto na nan lugar.

## NEW ARRIVALS

A son, Salvador, to Mr. and Mrs. Francisco Webb, January 1.  
A daughter, Rita Grace, to Mr. and Mrs. Nathan van Vellebrugg, January 2.  
A daughter, Gofra Marjorie, to Mr. and Mrs. Anbal Cruz, January 2.  
A son, Richard Dwayne, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Johnson, January 3.  
A son, Robert Dwayne, to Mr. and Mrs. Peter McDonald, January 3.  
A son, David Milton, to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Noel, January 3.  
A daughter, Duley Aurora Reginalda, to Mr. and Mrs. J. J. van der Meer, January 4.  
A daughter, Edith Elizabeth, to Mr. and Mrs. John van der Meer, January 4.  
A son, Terrence, to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Webb Johnson, January 4.  
A son, Jozefito Luciano, to Mr. and Mrs. Juan van der Meer, January 4.  
A son, Sebastian, to Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Veenbaek, January 4.  
A son, Freddy Adolf, to Mr. and Mrs. Gustaaf van der Meer, January 15.  
A daughter, Jean Patricia, to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Brouwer, January 15.  
A son, Vincent Leonard, to Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert Lavenex, January 15.  
A son, Clifford Luciano, to Mr. and Mrs. Hilton Brouwer, January 15.  
A daughter, Anne Marie, to Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Brouwer-Klein, January 15.  
A daughter, Fina Elaine, to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Goffin, January 15.  
A son, David Emmanuel, to Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Goffin, January 15.  
A son, Bruce Alfred, to Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Charles, January 15.  
A daughter, Rutha Bernadette, to Mr. and Mrs. Theodor Campbell, January 15.  
A son, Max Cyril, to Mr. and Mrs. Alexia Quake, January 15.  
A son, Joshua Ethelbert, to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Matheson, January 15.  
A daughter, Mary Jennifer, to Mr. and Mrs. Lester Matheson, January 15.  
A son, Wilbert, to Mr. and Mrs. George Lutz Hart, January 15.  
A daughter, Bonnie, to Mr. and Mrs. Louisa M. Boney, January 15.  
A son, Robert, to Mr. and Mrs. Carl van der Meer, January 20.  
A son, John Madoc, to Mr. and Mrs. J. J. van der Meer, January 20.  
A daughter, Nancy, to Mr. and Mrs. J. J. van der Meer, January 20.  
A son, John, to Mr. and Mrs. S. B. van der Meer, January 21.  
A son, Robert, to Mr. and Mrs. Elizabeth van der Meer, January 21.  
A son, Robert, to Mr. and Mrs. John Smith, January 21.

## Livelman Hits Jackpot Coining His Overtime-Leveling Idea

Many people have wrestled with the making of a new shift schedule since the operating men went on a 16-hour week last November. Every solution, though, favored some groups with overtime at the expense of others. It remained for Egbert Tjin-Kam-Jet,

a livelman on No. 8 Kurun, to come up with a schedule that distributes overtime evenly among all the groups, and his excellent plan brought him a fat Coin Your Ideas award January 21. His ingenuity in working out the new system was worth Fla 100 to him in guilder notes presented by K. E. Repath of Light Oils Finishing.

With the top award of Fla. 25 going to Harry Mills for suggesting the installation of a cross connection to simplify bypassing FCAR distillate — GAR-1 to LEAR, the "CYI" awards for December totalled Fla. 75.

Other awards were: to Stanley Gouwe for suggesting a stand platform at spheru tanks Nos. 708, 709, 772, 772, and 775; to George Tweedle Fla. 20, issue wage statements to employees of the Lake Tanker fleet; to M. C. Richardson Fla. 15, install a fan under the bleeders on the waste heat boiler conditioner steam inlet rigs at PCAR.

## DEATHS

James Duinker of the Pipe Department, on January 4, at the age of 31. He had been an employee since July 12, 1945. He is survived by his brother, Reford Duinker of the Welding Department.

Rollo Linkoole of the Labor Department, on January 17, at the age of 41. He was first employed on the Pressure Stills as a second class helper September 10, 1930, and worked in the Labor Department continuously since February, 1942. He was a participant in the Thrift Plan. He is survived by his wife and daughter.

From St. Vincent to his brother here came a cable that Lionel Glynn, who was a mechanics helper at Lago, had died on January 4. Lionel worked for the Company from 1939 to 1945.



Above appear ten more of the *ESSO NEWS*' Plant reporters. They are, we recall: James R. A. S. Gordon Oltiverro of Electrical; second row: Simon Carood of the Hospital, Ricardo van Bieren of the Candy Sweets Administration, Edgar Cramm of the Machine Shop; third row: Calvin Maxwell of the M. & C. Office, Erskine Anderson of the Acid Plant, Bertha Viegro, of the Central Fuel Room and Field Mechanic's bottom row: Eric Critchlow of Hydro-Alky, Luisa Laromela of the Garpenor and Paint Department. Pictures of more reporters will appear in the next issue of the *ESSO NEWS*.

## Long Service Awards

January, 1946

### 10-Year Buttons

Fredric P. Wilson  
Cecil E. Brown  
Peter A. Nicolaas  
James N. Patrick  
Cornelia J. Noguera  
Joseph Oubier  
Julian Webb  
Isaak De Cuba  
Simoon Thyen  
Casal Lathie  
Hubert Chance

Dining Hall  
Golf Club  
Marine Office  
Dry Dock  
Marine Wharves  
Welding  
Bidg. & Maint.  
Rec. & Shipping  
L.O.F.  
L.O.F.  
Pressure Stills

### 20-Year Buttons

John Schwegle  
Johan Schwegle, of the Stewards Department, received his twenty year button on January 25. His service at Lago dates from 1925, when he came to work as a laborer and worked in various parts of the plant. Previous to that he had worked for some time in the sugar industry in Cuba. In 1935 he was transferred from the Labor Department to the Stewards Department where he is now employed.



**PLAN DI BENEFICIO MORTUORIO**

Dia 1 di Januari, 1946 un Plan di Beneficio Mortuario lo dreña na vigor pa tur Empleadonan di Staff y Regular cu tin un mas anja di servicio cu Compania, si nan mueri sin cu nan morto ta causa di un accidente di malazo industrial, mientras cu nan ta den servicio di Compania, of promé cu un anja despues di nan terminación bao di cierto circunstancias.

Den caso di morto causá pa un accidente di malaza industrial, beneficium mortuario lo wordé pagá mesos cu untaes segun e Reglamento di Accidente di Curacao-1936.

E obhetu principal di e plan aki ta di presta yudancja financiero na familia di un empleado cu ta mueri, sin cu nan morto ta causá pa un accidente di malaza industrial. Aki bao ta sigui e regulacion principal di e plan aki:

**BENEFICION MORTUORIO**

E plan aki duna beneficium na viuda, jioeman di mayoran di e empleado difunto. E cantidad di beneficium ta varia entre 3 luna y un anja di ganamento normal di e empleado, segun e cantidad di servicio cu el a presta, manera ta sigui riba e Tabla aki bao:

**TABLA DI BENEFICIONAN**

ANTANAN DI SERVICIO		SUMA
1 pero menos cu 2	3 1/2 di ganamento	
3 .....	4 1/2 " "	
4 .....	5 1/2 " "	
5 .....	6 1/2 " "	
6 .....	7 1/2 " "	
7 .....	8 1/2 " "	
8 .....	9 1/2 " "	
9 .....	10 1/2 " "	
10 aña of mas	11 1/2 " "	

**BENEFICIONAN DEN CASO CU NO TIN BENEFICIONAN ELIGIBEL**

Si no ta existi ningun di e beneficiumnan mencioná ora un empleado mueri, Compania, den su discrecion, por autorisá pagá un suma no mas di Fls. 500 pa gastonan di e entierro, y un suma no mas di e empleado ex-empleado, y Fls. 200 pa gastonan di entierro.

**DEATH BENEFIT PLAN**

A Death Benefit Plan is being provided effective January 1, 1946 for all Staff and Regular Employees who have one or more year's service with the Company, and die of a non-industrial cause while in the service of the Company or within one year of termination of service under certain circumstances.

In the event of death caused by industrial accident or sickness, death benefits will be paid as in the past in accordance with the Curacao Accident Regulation-1936.

The primary purpose of this plan is to provide financial assistance to the family of an employee who dies of a non-industrial cause. A brief outline of the plan is as follows:

**DEATH BENEFITS**

The plan provides benefits for the widow, children, or parents of the deceased employee. The amount of benefits varies from three months to one year's normal earnings according to length of service as shown in the schedule below:

**TABLE OF BENEFITS**

YEARS OF SERVICE		AMOUNT
1 but less than 2	3 1/2 of annual	
3 .....	4 1/2 " "	
4 .....	5 1/2 " "	
5 .....	6 1/2 " "	
6 .....	7 1/2 " "	
7 .....	8 1/2 " "	
8 .....	9 1/2 " "	
9 .....	10 1/2 " "	
10 years or more	11 1/2 " "	

**BENEFITS IN CASE OF NO ELIGIBLE BENEFICIARIES**

If no beneficiaries named above exist at the time of an employee's death, the Company may, in its discretion, authorize payment in an amount not to exceed Fls. 500 toward the expenses of the last illness of the employee or ex-employee, and Fls. 200 for burial expenses.

**REVISED ACCIDENT BENEFITS POLICY**

Effective January 1, 1946 the Accident Benefits Policy for Staff and Regular Employees has been liberalized to provide additional benefits for employees who lose time from work as a result of industrial injury. The changes in the policy are:

**ACCIDENT BENEFITS**

During the time lost from work because of industrial accident disability, benefits shall be paid to eligible employees beginning with the first full day of disability at the rate of 100% normal earnings for the first 7 days if treated either in quarters or hospital, and 100% for the next 63 days if treated in quarters and 70% if treated in the hospital. Benefits beyond this period shall continue for a maximum additional period of 42 weeks according to the employee's length of service. These benefits will be paid at the rate of 70% if treated in quarters, and 50% if treated in the hospital. For any disability extending beyond the length of time due in accordance with an employee's length of service, benefits will continue at the rate of 50% normal earnings if treated either in the hospital or quarters.

**PERIOD OF BENEFITS**

SERVICE	less than 2 years		2-3 years		3-4 years		4-5 years		5-6 years		6-7 years		7-8 years		8-9 years		9-10 years		10-11 years		11 years up		
	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	
BENEFIT PERIOD	0	1	6	11	16	21	26	31	36	41	47												
70 DAYS PLUS	0	1	6	11	16	21	26	31	36	41	47												

Amount of benefits payable in accordance with above schedule

TREATED IN	First 7 days	Next 63 days	Bal. res. of Schedule	Balance Total Period For Curacao Accident Reg.
QUARTERS	100%	100%	70%	50%
HOSPITAL	100%	70%	50%	50%

**POLIZA REVISA DI BENEFICIONAN DI ACCIDENTE**

Di dia 1 di Januari, 1946 p'adilanti e Póliza di Beneficiumnan pa Accidente pa Empleadonan di Staff y Regular lo keda liberalisá pa proporcioná mas beneficium pa empleadonan cu ta perde tempo fo'i trabao via di accidente industrial. E cambion den e Póliza ta sigui:

**BENEFICIONAN DI ACCIDENTE**

Durante e tempo perdi fo'i trabao pa via di un accidente industrial, beneficium lo wordé pagá na e empleadonan eligibel di e promé dia di incapacidad y durante e promé 7 dianan na lo haya 100% di pago, sea cu nan ta na cas of na hospital y 100% pa a siguiente 63 dianan si nan ta na cas y 70% si nan ta worde tratá den hospital. Beneficio despues di e periodo aki lo sigui te na e maximo di 42 siman segun e cantidad di servicio cu e empleado tin cu Compania. E beneficiumnan aki lo wordé pagá na 70% si e empleado ta na cas y na 50% si e ta worde tratá den hospital. Pa incapacidad cu ta extendé despues di e periodo cu ta toca un empleado segun su añanan di servicio, beneficium lo sigui na 50% di su ganamento normal sea cu e empleado ta na cas of na hospital.

**PERIODO DI BENEFICIONAN**

SERVICIO	menos cu 2 años		2-3 años		3-4 años		4-5 años		5-6 años		6-7 años		7-8 años		8-9 años		9-10 años		10-11 años		11 años ó mas		
	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	
PERIODO DI PAGO	0	1	6	11	16	21	26	31	36	41	47												
70 DIA. I MAS	0	1	6	11	16	21	26	31	36	41	47												

Sumanan di beneficio cu mester worde pagá segun e planilla aki riba

TREATAMIENTO	Primo 7 dias	53 dias	Resto de Periodo	Res. de Total segun Reg. Curacao de Acc. Gr.
NA CAS	100%	100%	70%	50%
TREATAMIENTO NA HOSPITAL	100%	70%	50%	50%

**REGLAMENTO REVISA Ariba PAGO DURANTE ENFERMEDAD**

Desde dia 1 di Januari di 1946, e Reglamento ariba PAGO durante Enfermedad pa Empleadonan di Staff y Empleadonan Regular a worde cambiá pa duna pago adicional na empleadonan cu ta eligibel. Un resumen cortico di e Reglamento nobo aki ta sigui aki 'ba'o:

**PAGO DURANTE ENFERMEDAD**

Durante tempo perdi fo'i trabao pa motivo di enfermedad di desgracia cu a worde sufri no na trabao, e empleado

lo ricibi, despues di a worde debidamente certificá como incapaz pa trabao door di Departamento Médico, pago na razon di 50% di su ganamento normal si e ta den hospital di Compania, y 70% di su ganamento normal si e ta worde tratá na cas. E pagonan aki lo worde tratá como e 4 tempo di aia riba di cada empleado cu un periodo mínimo di 70 dia, y un periodo maximo adicional di 42 siman manera ta worde mostrá den e tabla aki 'ba'o:

**TABLA DI PAGO DURANTE ENFERMEDAD**

SIRBISHI	12 dia		2-3 años		3-4 años		4-5 años		5-6 años		6-7 años		7-8 años		8-9 años		9-10 años		10-11 años		11 años ó mas		
	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	
PERIODO DI PAGO	0	1	6	11	16	21	26	31	36	41	47												
70 DIA. I MAS	0	1	6	11	16	21	26	31	36	41	47												

Pa empleadonan cu ta worde pagá pa ora lo tin un periodo di spera (waiting period) di tres dia di kalendar durante cual e empleado ta certificá como incapaz pa trabao; pago durante enfermedad lo cuminsa ariba e dia di cuater dia. Empleadonan di Staff cu ta gana sueldo

mensual lo ricibi pago completo durante e prome siman di incapacidad sin consideracion na e number di dianan durante cual e empleado ta certificá incapaz pa trabao.

**AUSENCIA FO'I TRABAJO PA ENFERMEDAD (MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE)**

Empleadonan cu worde ordená door di Departamento Médico pa bai Curacao pa un examen medico of tratamiento medico, lo worde duna permiso pa na su ausencia fo'i trabao pa motivo di enfermedad (medical leave of absence). E empleado worde pagá gao normal di transfeccion pa bai y bolbe fo'i Curacao, y ademas gastonan razonable pa hospedaje na Curacao i otro gastonan pa e examen medico di diagnóstico. Empleadonan cu tin un ganamento normal di Fls. 10.00 de menos pa dia tambe lo ricibi pago na gao normal razonable pa tratamiento medico.

**REVISED SICKNESS BENEFITS POLICY**

Effective January 1, 1946 the Sickness Benefits Policy for Staff and Regular Employees has been liberalized to provide additional benefits for eligible employees. This policy is briefly outlined as follows:

**SICKNESS BENEFITS**

For time lost from work because of sickness or accidental injury not incurred in line of duty the employee

shall, upon proper certification as to disability by the Medical Department, receive benefits of 50% normal earnings if hospitalized, and 70% if treated in quarters or at home. These benefits will be payable according to an employee's length of service with a minimum period of 70 days, and a maximum additional period of 42 weeks as shown in the schedule below:

**SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS**

SERVICE	12 days		2-3 years		3-4 years		4-5 years		5-6 years		6-7 years		7-8 years		8-9 years		9-10 years		10-11 years		11 years up		
	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	1 wk	2 wk	
BENEFIT PERIOD	0	1	6	11	16	21	26	31	36	41	47												
70 DAYS PLUS	0	1	6	11	16	21	26	31	36	41	47												

The waiting period for hourly-paid employees will be three calendar days of certified disability, with benefits commencing on the fourth day. Monthly-paid Staff Employees shall receive full pay for the first week of disability irrespective of the number of days of certified disability involved.

**MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Employees who are instructed by the Medical Department to report to Curacao for medical examination or treatment shall be granted a medical leave of absence, and shall receive normal transportation expenses to and from Curacao, also reasonable living and other expenses for examination in diagnosis. Employees whose daily rate of pay is Fls. 10.00 or less will also receive reasonable expenses for medical treatment.

All details of these policies are administered by the Annuitants and Benefits Division of the Personnel Department, and any questions should be referred to them.

Tur detayonan di e reglamentonan aki riba ta worde administrá door di "Annuitants & Benefits Division" di Departamento di Personal, y cualkier informacion acerca tal asunto mester worde referi na e oficina eya.

# Utilities New Champs

## Medals Given Winners And Runners-Up After Colony Service Falls 4-0

The Utilities team won the Sport Park football championship January 20, defeating by 4 to 0 a game but outclassed Colony Service Administration team. The big football trophy goes into Utilities' possession for the next year with their name engraved under the previous winners', the Acid Plant.

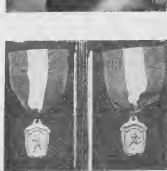
After Industrial Relations Manager B. Teagle started proceedings with the first kick, Utilities set their cap for victory early in the game with two scores. After this the Colony Service defense tightened up and held the champs for the rest of the half, though the score nearly went up again when a Utilities kick hit the crossbar but bounced away.

The second half was a repetition of the first only more so; the losers never found the form that had put them in the first, while the winners were attacking continuously. The score could easily have been higher except for some first-rate stops by hard-working John Wilson, the C. S. keeper. On the other side, the Utilities' keeper, Gregorio Franken, had one of the easiest afternoons of his career.

After the game the crowd gathered round while General Manager L. G. Smith presented trophies. Captain Franken accepted the championship trophy, after which a gold medal was presented to each member of the winning team, and a silver medal to each of the runners-up.

A new feature of this tournament was the selection, by a jury of spectators, referees, and the Steering Committee, of the four most valuable players in the league outside of the first and second teams. (These were chosen, not only on the basis of exceptional skill, but on playing all games with their teams, since a best player in the world is not valuable if he isn't on the field.) The men who received valuable-player medals were Raimundo Kemp of Machinists, Higinio Janssen of L.O.F., Jose Paulino of Commissaries, and Andrew Sjaw-A-Klan of Personnel.

The Steering Committee that organized and carried on the league included Edney Huckleman, Gordon Olivierre, George Lawrence, Bipat Chand, Mario Croes, and Joaquin Maduro.



## Miembroan di Teaman ta Haya Medajanan Despues cu Team di Utilities a Gana cu 4-0

E team di Utilities a gana campionato di Sport Park Futbal dia 20 di Januari, battendo e team di Colony Service Administration cu 4 pa 0 den un wegá masha fuerte hunga. E trofeo grandi di futbal ta keda den posesion di Utilities durante e anja aki, y nan nomber ta grabá lao di number di e promé gangadornan, esta Acid Plant.

Despues cu Gerente di Relacionan Industrial, B. Teagle a cuminá e wegá sacando e promé bala, Utilities a començá haci tur posibilidad y a pasa dos goal unbest. Despues di esaki e defensas di C. S. a drecha y nan a wanta e championnan durante resto di promé half, pero toch Utilities a hera pasa un goal ora cu e bala a dal contra e palo di goal, pero a bolbe p'atras.

E segundo half tabata repetición di e promé, pero masha fuerte; Colony Service no por a haya e manempel cu a trece asina leu, mientras cu Utilities tabata atacá continuamente. Nan lo por a pasa masha goal, si no tabata pa John Wilson, e keeper di C. S., cu a wanta algun bala masha bon. (Di otro banda, e keeper di Utilities, Gregorio Franken, tabatin un merdó de lo mas sosogá.)

Despues di wegá tur banda a hini huntu y Gerente General L. G. Smith a presentá trofeonan. Captain Franken a acceptá trofeo di campeonato y djel cada miembro di e team cu a soli ganá a haya un medaja di oro y e miembroan di e segundo team a haya medajanan di plata.

Algo nobo di e toernamento aki tabata e seleccion di e 4 mihor hungadornan di cada team, esocí pa miradornan, referenan y e Comité di Direccion. (E



Riba e portret mas arriba den di 2 kolumn, Captain Gregorio Franken di Utilities a di acceptá e trofeo di campeonato di futbal ler di Gerente General L. G. Smith. Arriba, Arriba: Gerente di Colony Service Administration ta haya un di e medajanan di plata cu cada miembro di e segundo team a haya. Na banda drechi Raimundo Kemp di Machinists ta haya e promé di e premio man cu tabata pa e keeper mihor hungadornan. Abajo, abaja, portretnan nobo durante wegá ta mustra con laura e tabata. Na banda robes nan ta mustra un portret di e medajanan cu ta den posesion superior riba veld di basbol y futbal durante e temporada aki.



mihor hungadornan no ke meen esnan cu conocé e wegá mihor só, ma tambe nan a paga tinu riba esnan cu a hunga tur weganan cu nan team, pesu e mihor hungador di mundo no tin ningun valor si e no ta riba veld). Eanan cu a richi e medajanan aki ta Raimundo Kemp di Machinists, Higinio Janssen di L.O.F., Jose Paulino di Commissary and Andrew Sjaw-A-Klan di Personnel.

E Comité di Direccion tabata consisti di Edney Huckleman, Gordon Olivierre, George Lawrence, Bipat Chand, Mario Croes y Joaquin Maduro.



## Baseball Medals Presented

A fair-sized crowd at the Lago Sport Park witnessed some post season baseball on January 20. A five inning exhibition game was played between what is left on Aruba of the champion Savannah Stars team, which was composed of men of the U. S. Army, and the second place San Lucas team.

The game was slow to watch with the Stars picking up five runs in the first inning and coasting from there on in. San Lucas threatened several times but never quite managed to pull up even and it ended with Savannah winning 5 to 3.

Following the game was the presentation of medals to the members of the first and second place teams by L. G. Smith. Due to recent discharges and transfers the complete Army team was not present and Captain John Maxwell of Savannah Camp accepted the medals in behalf of the absent men to be forwarded to them. In the picture, a San Lucas player accepts from Mr. Smith one of the silver medals that went to each member of the second-place team.



It was a grim day at the J. C. Club field as the Wildcatters closed the Hornets line submission to the tune of 10 to 4 in an exhibition baseball game January 10. The 11 and 12-year olds are taking to the new game like ducks to water and have in each show great spirit as labor baseballers. Frantz calls to grab that ball are seen in the picture. All right is recreation supervisor Paul Gerdien. The Wildcatters, managed by Murray Jennings, were San Ewan, Club Kester, Tobby Schmidt, Erik Roback, Robert Glasman, and David Barrow. The Hornets were J. J. Rosenberg, Al Louk Jr., Donald Gray, John Wedd, Neil Carroll and Neil Ray, with Duke Richter managing the Trunkers next door by 6 to 2. Hurler and the scorebook was kept by Tinker Baggaby.



## Here and There

Joy was added to the Christmas holidays of more than 50 Esso families on Christmas morning as servicemen and women in Europe and the Pacific talked with relatives at home through a two-way radio broadcast sponsored by Standard Oil (N.J.) for employees of the Company and affiliates. More than 100 relatives heard from 38 members of the overseas armed forces in the 90-minute-long program.

Destined to relieve and prevent suffering among overseas Standard employees this winter were the clothes gathered as a result of a Company-wide clothing drive during this past fall.

More than 36,000 pounds of clothing were donated by employees of the Jersey company and its affiliates for the relief of personnel in France, Holland, Belgium, Norway and Finland.

Company employees abroad are not eligible for relief of the type provided by the nation-wide drives for displaced persons, since they remained at their homes during the enemy occupation.

In addition to the clothing, as a Christmas gift to employees of affiliated companies in these countries, Jersey Standard shipped 7,000 individual food packages containing the most needed and unobtainable foodstuffs.

John Pandells, former instructor in the Training Division and now a Curaçao resident, had an exhibition of his paintings in the Culture Center there last month.

Sixty of his works were shown, including oils, watercolors, and pastels. Forming part of the show were many paintings done during his years in Aruba.

Rafael Martinez of the Drydock is scheduled to leave next week on long vacation in Venezuela.

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### Cricket and Softball To Share Sport Park Grounds



Softball a wachendrachtig sport pastado with plenty of action, will soon take the field at the Sport Park, starting in several days. The picture, from last season's final games, shows a Victoria Club player in a close finish with home plate.

Softball, one of the sports to be played at the Sport Park, is a very fast game. The picture, from last season's final games, shows a Victoria Club player in a close finish with home plate.

The seasons change and so do the activities at the Sport Park as football bows out and softball and cricket make their entrance. These two sports will be played at the same time at the Sport Park this year and should provide plenty of thrills for the fans.

In meetings of the Sports Committee recently it was decided to run both the softball and cricket leagues with inter-departmental teams in competition. Assisting the Committee will be three men from each sport to coordinate the play. These men will be chosen by the captains and managers of the various teams.

The Committee consists of E. Huclidean, of the Dispensary, G. Oliviere of Electrical, G. Lawrence of the Gas plant, J. Maduro of Accounting, B. Chand of the Storehouse, and M. Cress of Colony Service. The next issue of the Aruba ESO News will carry more details of the coming sports activities.



Jessie Pandit of the Esso Dining Hall was married to Horacio Gonzalez of the Accounting Office at the Methodist Church in San Nicolas on February 15. The bride was given a fine send-off by her fellow employees in the Dining Hall who presented her with some beautiful gifts. Among them were a wedding veil imported from the United States, a Swiss clock, and an entire dish and a candy stand, both of crystal with a silver edge. With the gifts went a scroll specially drawn by H. E. Garcia of Colony Service, wishing the couple every happiness. At the wedding ceremony Kelly Wong of the Storehouse sang "Oh Perfect Love".

Tali Lopez of the Garage, who sings with the Trovadores Tropicales (see page 5) went along with the Jong Holland football squad recently when they invaded Colombia.

Tali, who is to be gone two weeks, intended to try for a singing engagement on a Colombian radio station while there.

Alexz Bachus of Number 3 Laboratory is back in Aruba after an eight week vacation in British Guiana. With him is his bride Tofa.

Staff Operator Alfred Viera of L.O.F. left his still and his radio repairs behind when he departed for Colombia on his long vacation on February 11. He intends to cover as much of the country as possible on his 10-week stay there. An old-timer among the British Guianans men, Alfred has been here upwards of eight years.

Shorthand will come easily to George Medina of the Esso Dining Hall now that he has completed a nine month course in Gregg shorthand. The course covered theory and speed and was taught by Sylvia Benjamin of San Nicolas. At the end of the course George was examined and passed by G. Blaise of the B. I. A. His certificate arrived from the States on January 12.

Winston Cenac, who works in the Process Control Division of T. S. D., knows a great deal more about electricity now than he did a couple of years ago. He has just received a diploma from the Industrial Training Institute, recognizing his graduation from their correspondence course in Theoretical and Applied Electricity. His studies extended over a period of a year and a half.

February brought several cricket matches to the Sport Park with the players getting themselves in tune for the coming league. On Sunday, February 3, Bernard Thomas' XI defeated

### Sucursales di Aruba Bank y Hollandsche Bank Estableci Na San Nicolas, February 4

Aruba Bank y Hollandsche Bank a habri sucursales na San Nicolas dia 4 di Februari, y a yena di e modu ey un necesidad grandi pa emplesadonan di Lago y pa actividanan di negosio na San Nicolas.

Desde tempo di construcion na 1928 y 1929 te awe, San Nicolas a desarolla continuamente como ciudad y establecimiento di e dos banconan na un otro paso progresivo.

Visnanan cu ta tuma hepl tempo pa bol banco te na Oranjestad lo no ta necesario mas, pasobra tur transaccion bancario por wordé haci na e sucursalan. Tur dia ta localisá, no mucho leu di Main Gate.

Horanan di trabao di e banconan ta reglá di tal moda cu nan ta di mayor conveniencia pa emplesadonan di Lago, cu horanan especial pa dianan di quincena.

### Ideas Sent for Competition

Four suggestions that received "Coin Your Ideas" awards during 1944 were sent to New York this month to compete in the annual granting of Capital Awards. With ideas entered from all operations of the Company, the competition is keen for these awards, which range from \$100 to \$500.

The ideas submitted by the Lago "C. Y. L." Committee for consideration: "Suggested use of code words for various refinery products in cables"; this idea had Edm. Vissers of Light Oils an initial award of Fla. 100, and a supplemental award of Fla. 25.

"Install dampers in main blower air ducts of Cottrell precipitator"; Robert MacMillan of Electrical received Fla. 100 for this idea.

"Suggested opening of Lago Bank Account in Curacao"; the idea was worth Fla. 200 to Aric Groenwold of the Accounting Office.

"Return 'Best' lock keys to manufacturer for reconditioning"; Ernest Tuloch of the Storehouse had an initial award of Fla. 35 for this suggestion, plus Fla. 45 as a supplemental award.

### Rescue Lost Fishermen Adrift For Eleven Days

Two fishermen are alive today probably because of the sharp eyes of the Chief Steward of the tanker Fort Henry. Barely seeing a white spot on the rough water between Curacao and the South American coast, Leo Flynn reported immediately to his captain what he had seen and in doing so became the savior of two men's lives.

As he was looking out over the churning water at about six o'clock in the evening on February 5, Steward Flynn saw through the gathering clouds a white object floating in the sea some distance off. He reported his discovery to the captain, but due to bad weather it was lost to view. Some time later it was sighted again and the tanker changed course to investigate. It turned out to be a twenty-five foot sail boat with two work-bone fishermen in it.

The sea at this time was very rough and twenty foot waves made the task of picking up the men difficult. The Chief Officer of the Fort Henry finally succeeded in getting a line to the exhausted men and they were taken aboard the tanker and immediately put to bed. They were suffering from exposure and thirst; they were wet and cold, and their water had given out a few days before. An attempt was made to tow their boat but it soon broke loose and sank.

The two unfortunate identified themselves as Marcelino Leito of Curacao and Johannes Margarita of Bonaire. They said they had left Curacao 11 days before on January 25 to fish but had lost their course, and not having a compass, did not know where they were. When they were picked up one had no clothes at all left and the other only his trousers. They were brought in to Aruba on February 6 and are thankful to be alive.

### Employees of Two Banks in San Nicolas

Branches of both the Aruba Bank and the Hollandsche Bank Unie were opened in San Nicolas February 4, filling a long-felt need for Lagoites and for business activities in the eastern half of Aruba. From the construction days of 1923 and 1929 to the present, San Nicolas has steadily developed as a community, and the establishment of the banks is a long and logical step in the process.

Time consuming trips to the Oranjestad banks will no longer be necessary, since all phases of banking can be transacted at the local branches. Both are conveniently located not far from the Main Gate.

Banking hours have been arranged for the convenience of employees, including special hours in effect on paydays.

### "C.Y.I." Cent. from P. I. E. Tjin-Kam-Jet, Fla. 100.00, Proposed shift schedule.

A new shift schedule, put into effect on January 1, 1945, as a result of this idea, proved a definite improvement over the former Management, in that it more equitably distributed necessary services in connection with changes of days off.

J. A. Abrahams, Fla. 20.00, relocate air inlet valve to overhead air hoist at Foundry.

Relocating the air inlet valve to overhead air hoist at the Foundry eliminated a safety hazard.

Year	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total
1929	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	3.00
1930	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	3.00
1931	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	3.00
1932	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	3.00
1933	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	3.00
1934	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	3.00
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1941	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	3.00
1942	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	3.00
1943	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	3.00
1944	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	3.00
1945	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	3.00
Average	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	3.00

All Time Monthly Average Rainfall

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# NEWS <sup>a n d</sup> VIEWS



Bob Loarned par ta mas pisa cu e piscu aki, na e barcha algun dia antes na Inguru. Bob (fio di Bill Loarned di T.S.O.), a eata e piscu dia 2 di Februari. El a serpi aki solamente 12 mes, a yu di ehe den barcha rond di Aruba, y Bob por conta cu e batalla basta serio di a laga piscu.

Bob Loarned (son di Bill, di T. S. O.) may ta heavier than the sailfin he caught February 2, but it has been by several feet in length. Not over 12 of these big fellows have been caught on lines around Aruba.

These wells, and hundreds like them, produce the oil that runs through Leger's wheels. Famous throughout the oil world, they are in the deep water of Lake Maracaibo, with the derricks on concrete piles hundreds of feet long.



E persona aki y hepi mas sucesos ta produce e petroli cu ta circula den viciencia di Leger. Famous rond mundo den e chis den e mar profundo di Lago di Maracaibo cu nan terrazon cu tin algun cien pie di altura.

Shown below is not a Hollywood star but a telephone switchboard operator, a job in which more than one actress got her start. She is Frances Clark, one of the Republic's telephone girls. The picture was taken by Sumner Redgrave of the Laboratory.



The little machine above, with F. E. Sanchez at the controls, is known as "Solph" and is just about the handiest thing around the Acid Plant. It feeds sulphur to the melting cells, the first step in the manufacture of sulphuric acid. The little picture shows how it was done, for 12 years, after the plant opened in 1928. Laboriously, a watchman (and so it was, sulphur) pumped at 200,000 tons was moved this way. Now "Solph" moves in a few minutes as much as previously took hours.

E machin chikito aki riba, cu F. E. Sanchez ta maneha, ta conoci hasi di nombre di "Solph" y e ta facilidat hepi traha na Acid Plant. E ta sirbi pa transporta e sulphur pa' deposita pa ehe Plant. E portret chikito ta muestra con e traha tabata bel durante 12 aña despues cu funde a habri na aña 1928. Cu hepi traha, un carachi por saca for, mas tabata transporta un cantidad di sulphur di mas, e barcha 200,000 ton. Awor dia "Solph" ta bati den algun minuto laque antes tabata tarda horas.



This tall, terrific girl from Texas (and more recently Hollywood) is Louise Albritton. Universal Studios' player who is "one the way up". In her last picture, "Teacher", she plays a dinner on the hunt for a Fascist war criminal. And with these eyes who could escape her?





Mink-bottle was the order of the evening at the Marine Club February 9 as several hundred members and guests dressed up in assorted fineries from a rag bag. Costumes ranged from beautiful to hideous, with prizes for the best in several classes. Shown above are the winners: left to right, Bob Schlegler (a photographer surprised finally to find himself in one of his own pictures), D. J. Beer, W. R. White, Betty Richards, Mrs. A. Kirby, and Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Meaker.



At right, Karol Posen, "alimaker" at the Drydock, poses for Balthus Stokke, New York artist. The completed portrait is reproduced on page 1.

He hands drinks, a portrait saka minutes na Balthus Stokke, artista di New York, in photo portrait of Karol Posen, anaka, di bato na Drydock. Fina pigila 1 tin un reproducie di a portret bastermanca riba.

With seven boats in regular competition, and a medium to hard breeze all the time, the Yacht Club keeps the biggest hull of bulging canvas and bobbing Salpas every Sunday. (Note to shipyard readers: the trademark in this picture may not be there today; it was taken early in 1946, and was in the restricted class until recently).



Moortje



The Trevedora Tropicales, a well-dressed group of singer and the guitarists, are beginning to make their musical mark in Aruba. They have played engagements at the Sociedad Bolivariana and the Tivoli club, and are planned shows in Oranjestad, San Nicolas, and Santa Cruz for early in March. Seated, left to right, are Edwin Croes of Paramari, tall Lopez of the Garage, and Duo de Palm of Paramari; standing, are Jan Groen, Harold Negama, and Sima Coenart of the Hospital.



A part of the Lago Pinar Department's campaign for safety is a series of lectures in their locker room, displaying safety slogans originated by men in the department. Each slogan remains on the board for a week. Mr. A. Vanomone is shown beside his contribution, "When safety comes in the door, accidents occur no more". The hitting on the door is done by Corporal F. G. Illidge of the L. P. D.









# AROUND THE PLANT

Luisena Weaver, the **ES-10 NEWS** reporter for the Labor Department, has recently returned from a 10-week vacation. Luisena is reporter for the largest single group of employees in the plant.

Luisena Weaver, **ES-10 NEWS** reporter of Departamento de Labor a haber recientemente de un viaje de 10 semanas. Luisena es reportera en el mayor grupo de empleados de la planta.



### Marriages

Francis Hasell of the Storehouse married Theresa Arrindell on February 28.

Richard Frazer took time off from his duties at the Lago Marine Club on February 28, when he married Josephine Feders in Santa Teresita Church in San Nicolas. In May Richard will have 16 years service with the Company, all at the Marine Club.

The couple was presented with a jewel box of carved ivory by Richard's fellow employees at the club.

Allison Dennis of the Stewards Department and Made Lyndt started their life of wedded bliss in the Catholic Church in San Nicolas on February 20. The couple was presented with a set of silver service for eight by the office staff of the Stewards Department.

Juan Schotberg, a pipefitter at the Drydock, married Ana de Cuba at St. Francis Church in Oranjestad on February 27. The wedding was followed by a reception at No. 87 Havenstraat.

Mechanic Arthur Leent and Della Rincones were married on February 28, at St. Francis Church in Oranjestad. A reception was held at 772 Koningstraat.

Off on his vacation on February 25 after eight years here, Henri Held of the Dispensary is traveling to Surinam by way of Trinidad.

Manohar Lall, M. & C. planner clerk, left on February 26 for 65 days vacation. He is staying with his brother in Trinidad for the carnival then traveling to B. G. to visit his home. After that he will come back to Aruba.

The mysteries of radio have been revealed to George O'Brien of the Acid Plant. He has recently completed a course given by the National Radio Institute and is now a trained radio man. The course lasted 31 months and covered the principles of radio and electricity, the principals of television, radio engineering and other allied subjects.

## Hollywood Loses, Aruba Gains As Calypso Star Visits Here

Calypso fans in Aruba were treated to some of the finest calypso music available, when Sir Lancelot visited here in February. Sir Lancelot, to those who don't already know it, is one of the foremost calypso artists in the entertainment business.



Lancelot Pinard, which is his real name, stayed at Lago Heights with H. McGibbons of the Foundry. He gave concerts in Oranjestad and in San Nicolas at the Cinehadia theater. Lancelot's movie career has been extensive and he became famous soon after his first picture appearance. His picture work has taken most of his time in the past few years, during which time he appeared in "Happy-Go-Lucky", "I walked with a Zombie", "Ghost Ship", and "Zombies on Broadway".

Before arriving here, his last stop was in Jamaica where he gave a series of concerts. It is said too, that at one time in Panama he caused the Police and Fire Brigades to go on strike, because they could not handle the crowds he drew.

Sir Lancelot is now on his way to his home in Trinidad for a rest.

## Esso-News

George Dickover, former training supervisor here and more recently handling that work in the Maracouba area, has been transferred to Creolo's head office in Caracas. He will be in charge of all Company training activities in Venezuela.

In a move designed to give greater emphasis to mechanical development and engineering research, the Standard Oil Development Company has consolidated its two engineering departments.

The consolidation brings into one organization more than 400 scientists and other employees of the General Engineering Department and the Process Engineering Department which have operated independently for nearly 10 years.

The new organization is named the Esso Engineering Department. Dr. N. E. Loomis, vice president in charge of engineering, said the regrouping is expected to strengthen mechanical engineering and engineering research work, improve work supervision and increase efficiency.

E. H. Barlow, former chief engineer of G. E. D., will be consulting engineer of the Development Company, and E.W. Easter, former head of P. E. D., will be chief engineer of the new Esso Engineering Department.

Burned in 1940 to keep its facilities and stocks from the German armies, the operation of the Port Jerome, France, refinery of Standard Francaise des Petroles, a company affiliate, was resumed February 15.

The refinery was completed in 1933, had a capacity of 25,000 b/d and produced a full line of petroleum products. Restoration of the plant was begun soon after the termination of hostilities in Europe, and it is expected to be operating at one half capacity shortly.

### Korfbal Competitie Entre Siete Teaman di Aruba

Awor nan a forma un Korfbal Bond na Aruba, cu lo organizá un competitie entre siete diferente team di Aruba. Weganan a cuminsa dia 3 di Maart. E competitie lo dura te dia 2 di Juni y lo tin dos wega cada siman. Despues di hunga e weganan regular, nan lo hunga weganan final pa dicid cual ta e mihor team.

Bochivo di Accounting ta presidá e organización y e clubman cu ta tumá parti aden ta Victorius, Sparta, Falton, T.O.F., Xerxes, Jong Holland, y Trappers.



Earle Collins, who was an operator in Utilities from '36 to '40 and some time later became a Lt. Colonel in the Army, was getting Army life out of his system last month with a cross-country jaunt by car. Starting from his home in Maine he went to Florida, across to Southern California, and was to return by the northern route, a complete circle of the country. Then he would think of returning to work, said Earle.

### DEATHS

Benjamin Coran of the Electrical Department, on February 22, at the age of 58. He had been an employee for nine years, and was a participant in the Thrift Plan. He is survived by his wife.



Francis Isack on as Jovita Punt of the Esso Dining Hall receives a wedding gift from J. F. X. Auer, presented by the employees of the Dining Hall. Isack was married to Mercedes Gonzalez of the Accounting Department on February 15.



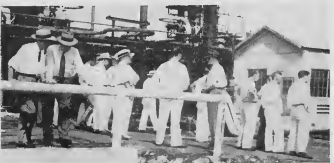
With the shere and cragging starts of the Marine Department trade "Geestry, smooth sailing" with the presentation of a beautiful religious statue to the Esso staff, on the left, he is being presented by Capt. W. L. Thomas of the shere staff, and on the right J. E. Shepherd, 2nd Officer of the "San Carlos" in presenting him with a handsome silver service for the Fleet personnel.



Alberto Vanzagory of the Foundry is receiving a wedding gift from his fellow employees. He was married to Marcellina Croes on February 14 at Santa Cruz and will live with his bride in Schermer. The presentation of a beautiful religious statue is being made by Joseph Edwards. Alberto Vanzagory of Foundry is presenting a regalo di casamento di su companhionan. El a casa cu Marcellina Croes na Santa Cruz dia 14 di Februari y e paraha lo biva cu Schermer. Joseph Edwards ta presentando un regalo cu tabata un sumento longan religioso.



Visitors from domestic and foreign subsidiaries met with Lago technical men in a series of conferences held here February 18 and 19. The group shows includes, back row, H. Winter, Y. Wagnery, F. J. Griffin, H. J. Ashlock, W. J. Connelly, D. Miesner, C. Green, J. T. Houghton, G. Collette, J. D. Lykins, and J. J. Morgan; front row, J. R. Schenberg, R. L. Danmore, E. H. Kavan, L. G. Smith, W. J. Healy, H. Paig, E. Longwehny, C. L. Orre, M. M. Scott, Steve Kavan. They are shown during an inspection tour of the refinery.



# NEWS and VIEWS



At left, lonely old Cape Natiers Lighthouse, on the stormy North Carolina cape known to mariners as the "graveyard of the Atlantic", gets a modern new neighborhood tower on S. W. Co. of M. J. dollars in draw in a fantastic search for all on the East Coast. The well, now at 2,000 feet, will go to 8,500 feet to give geologic information as a guide for further exploration of the Coastal Plain. Location of the well followed more than two years of study of the region by Company geologists. At left below, a view looking upward through the drilling rig.

Portrait of a man on his way to work! Sweeping in the breeze high on 200-foot chimney is one of the braver ways to make a living, but to the veteran steep-jacks repairing the massive concrete chimney at Powerhouse No. 2 it's nothing at all. These men never about on their feet scuffed as though they were shuffling along during the first step of the process when the chimney was being shored and the pump could not be applied. The picture shows one of the men on his way to work. The second step began when the rig reached the top and started working from the steel puttings on the final end of weather-proof point.

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Hundreds of employees here bought thousands of war bonds, all by mail or payroll deduction because U.S. regulation prevented their sale outside the country. You had, too — because remote central purchasing had no place for young ladies like this explaining the benefits.



With men of the field boiler-makers looking on, Ed Marwin presents a handsome wristwatch from the group to Isadore (Gus) Costa, boiler-maker foreman who is soon to retire. The inset shows Mechanical Dept. W. & C. Miller presenting a pocket watch and scroll to Mr. Costa from M. & C. supervisors assembled at a picnic February 23. The fun-poking scroll, for which Leo Kulpert of T.S.D. was the artist, shows Gus with his feet up on a desk, and the caption "Why retire from this?"

Empresario di Field Boiler-makers a rondon ora cu Ed Marwin a presentu, den man member, un smartu wristwatch di man na Isidoro (Gus) Costa, fermento di su departamento cu lo tuma su retiro pronto. Sima a presentu clockwatch man, la mesa Superintendente di Maintenance lo presentu un smartu di sacu y un scroll na Mr. Costa, den nombre di supervisor di M. & C. cu a reuni na un picnic dia 23 di February. E scroll taista un presentu, pinta pa Leo Kulpert di T.S.D. J = Labele smartu Gus sinta cu su pia riba lesanman y nan a titrahi scrolla. "Publica lo be retira di esah?"



As long as there is sand to play in, and children to play in it, there will be scenes like this. This is probably California, Florida, or the Jersey shore, but it looks familiar, doesn't it?



## Ocean Tanker Additions Expand Lake Fleet To Increase Crude Haulage

Fresh from the Allied oil runs of the war years, four ocean tankers that were built over twenty-five years ago are joining the Lake Fleet to assist in bringing crude over from Venezuela to the refinery. The four veteran ships, the ELSHA WALKER, the DEAN EMBRY, the BEACONHILL, and the DEAN CONDON, will add substantially to the amount of oil that can be taken from the Venezuelan producing fields at a time when worldwide petroleum needs are second only to food needs.

The ships are joining the fleet on a temporary basis, at least until the arrival home from the war of the three Lake tankers, MISOA, BACHAQUERO, and TASAJERA, and possibly longer. Of the four additions, the DEAN EMBRY was the first to finish a trip, bringing in her cargo March 7. The ELSHA WALKER followed a few days later, and the two "Beacon ships" are scheduled to enter the service soon. The ocean tankers will be able to handle an average of 36,000 barrels per trip, which approximates the haulage of a large Lake tanker.

All four are war veterans, with the BEACONHILL having one of the most unusual experiences, absent nearly a year on a trip to Russia. The famed convoys to Russia, in which as many as half the ships were sometimes lost, sailed only in the winter months—the long daylight of the northern summers made the convoys too susceptible to attack.

The BEACONHILL left New York for England in the spring of 1943 and there, after special preparations, joined a convoy bound for Murmansk. The preparations included furlined clothes for the crew, heater coils in the water tanks, and a bow filled with concrete for any necessary ice-smashing. By the time they had discharged cargo in the far north port, the days were too long to risk the trip around Norway, and they spent many months there, with the monotony seldom broken except for occasional trips to different ports in an effort to secure supplies.

The crew returned late in 1943 with stories of the extreme hardships they had seen. Food was so precious that if even an orange peel was thrown from the ship, a Russian might dive into the sea to retrieve it, at the risk of being shot if he were seen by Russian guards.

### BABEL (Continued From Page 1)

mark, France, Hungary, Poland, Switzerland, Yugoslavia, Sweden, Spain, and Eire. From the British Commonwealth came men from England, Canada, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, and the Union of South Africa. (To make it well-nigh complete we still need men from New Zealand and an Australian or two.)

South America produced Argentines, Venezuelans, Colombians, and Peruvians, while Central America sent Panamanians and Costa Ricans. In the United States, nearly every State in the Union is represented.

Swinging south again, the list includes Arecha, Bonaire, Curacao, Saba, St. Eustatius, St. Martin, and Suriname, not to mention St. Thomas, the Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico. Guadalupe, St. Barros, St. Martin (French), and St. Bartholomew add to the list, and don't forget the Dominican Republic and Madeira. Bragala from the Caribbean area lists representatives from (take a deep breath) Argentina, Anguilla, Antigua, Barbados, British Guiana, Dominica, Grenada, Jamaica, Montserrat, Nevis, St. Kitts, St. Lucia, St. Vincent, Tobago, Tortola, and Trinidad. Mariners tell of a small rocky island just south of the Madagascar coast that has sent no men to Aruba—it is uninhabited.

The real proof of courtesy and restraint is to have an ailment such as the other person is describing and not mention it.

# LONG SERVICE AWARDS

## FEBRUARY 1946

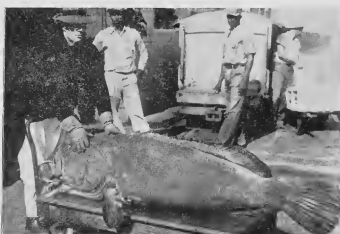
### 10-Year Buttons

- Espanlao Martija Engineering
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- Antonio Alemany Dining Hall
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- Florio Ras R. & S.
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- Michael Wanopaa L.O.F.
- Josef Wever L.O.F.
- Karel Oubler L.O.F.
- Esteban Amaya L.O.F.
- Florencio Cross L.O.F.
- Gerald Molloy Accounting

### 20-Year Buttons



Luslane Quast of the Marine Department has 20 years of active service left month. He started with Esso in 1925, and all his service has been on the docks.



At post on James Johnson of Cold Storage Plant to see his perfect oil to plus 332 litre. Picadoen Antonio a brace also reclutamiento y probacionismo a la plus mas cu tu libro bedged there.

## Persian Refiner Here For Study of Methods

Lago's ways of doing things were the subject of study this month by K. B. Ross, assistant manager of the Abadan refinery in Iran (Persia). Abadan, Lago's constant rival for title of "world's largest" in crude runs, is owned by the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company, of which 51 per cent is owned by the British government.

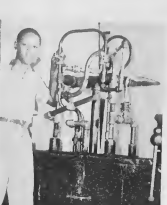
Mr. Ross, who originally hailed from South Africa, spent over two weeks here investigating operating procedures and industrial relations matters. While gaining an insight into local conditions, he also offered information on his own operations in an impromptu talk before the P.S.E.C. meeting March 8.

Abadan is located in what Mr. Ross characterized as a "mud-baked desert" 40 miles south of where the Tigris and Euphrates Rivers meet (historically regarded as the site of the Garden of Eden). Their climate, he says, is terrible. Temperatures of 125° are routine in summer; control rooms in the refinery had to be air-conditioned, and most houses have at least one air-conditioned room.

Their crude comes from fields from 70 to 100 miles away, and is mixed, rather than being run separately, as Lago's various crudes are. Their operations employ 1,500 Britishers and 35,000 "descenda," of the Medes and the Persians.

An interesting sidelight of his talk was the confession that his own Company's geologists had thoroughly investigated Bahrain Island in the Gulf of Persia, and that their chief geologist had personally volunteered to drink all the petroleum that might ever be found there. Not long after that an American company discovered large reserves on Bahrain, and now operates a refinery there to process it.

Enrique Boye of the Plant Commission, who went to Venezuela on vacation in January, returned three weeks ago a married man. The nuptials took place in Caracas February 2.



The fourth-year apprentices turned out many fine examples of work for the exhibit February 28 (see page 4) but Luciano Skarpe of the dock, shown with his example in complicated piping, proved that the first two ways are handy with tools too. Name it and you have it, he might have said when his fellow school kid asked him what he was working half days on it (the other half spent in class) if such these words be said.

El aprendiz de año 1944 a probado buena herramienta hecha di sus brazos pa' exhibicion di 28 di Febrero (inter pagina 4), pero Luciano Skarpe di Dredge, probado su operacion di "pipelining" a proba cu el muchu-herramienta cu lo den personal cu el ademasmente tanto a superior cu non instrumentos. Luciano a traha tibe durante tres dias, pero entre otro, guano-ho e otro material di mano e meter a hal klas.

Right person who the heading would be right there plus the woman, find by Roy de Abreu of L.O.F., averaged about 22 pounds and were shot L.O.F. by him. They are sometimes dangerous and hamper his bites, going after them. They are the fastest things on the water with snappers, night, and constant on fruits and vegetables.

## Sport Park Sees First Century Scored by Grand Cricketer

After two hours and two minutes of steady batting March 3, Conrad Nicholas of the Carpenters turned out to be the first man ever to score a century at the Sport Park.

It was during a match between the Grenada C. C. and the St. Vincent C. C. when Conrad, who oddly enough comes from St. Vincent in his spare time for Grenada, came up to bat. When he had finished putting them all over the field, there were 118 more runs on the score sheet than when he started.

Interesting is the fact that single-handed he scored more runs than the entire opposing team, for the final score of the match was 241 to 108 with Grenada winning easily.

Edney Huckleman of the Dispensary, who turned in this story, says that only three other men have ever scored centuries in Aruba so that Conrad's feat ranks high in the annals of Aruban sport.

### CRICKET

Cambridge c. (Lago) vs Eagle  
March 31 11 a.m.  
at Eagle rounds

This is a farewell match in honor of the captain of the Eagle club, John Foskett, who is soon to return to England.

### Tournament Play in Progress In Newly Formed Korbal League

Aruba now boasts a new Korbal Bond. The Bond, which is running a round-robin tournament between the seven member teams, started play March 3. The competition will continue until June 2, with two games being played each week.

After the regular schedule has been completed, an elimination round will be held to decide the best team. Bochove of Accounting presides over the organization and the seven member clubs are Victoria, Sparta, Falcon, T.O.F., Xerxes, Jong Holland, and the Trappers.

Below is a schedule of the games:

Date	Home Team	Away Team
March 12	Victoria vs. Sparta	Field
March 23	Falcon vs. Jong-Holland	Jong-Holland
March 24	T.O.F. vs. Victoria	Xerxes
March 31	Xerxes vs. Falcon	Victoria
April 7	Jong-Holland vs. Trappers	Victoria
April 14	Victoria vs. T.O.F.	Victoria
April 14	Trappers vs. Jong-Holland	Jong-Holland
April 20	Trappers vs. Xerxes	Jong-Holland
April 26	Victoria vs. Jong-Holland	Jong-Holland
April 26	Trappers vs. Xerxes	Victoria
May 4	Falcon vs. Xerxes	Victoria
May 10	Jong-Holland vs. Sparta	Jong-Holland
May 13	T.O.F. vs. Xerxes	Victoria
May 16	Victoria vs. Trappers	Jong-Holland
May 16	Sparta vs. Falcon	Xerxes



## GRADUACION DI APRENDIZAN 1942 - 1946

Dia 22 di Februari tabatin e graduacion di mas numeroso di aprendiz; e dia ey 34 aprendiz a ricibi nan diploma bao di ceremonianan cu a tuma lugh den Lago Club. Den presencia di mayornan orguyoso di nan jioeman, bihittanan y hefenan interesá den e juvenan, eakman a pasa pa e formalidadnan cu a cambia nan di aprendiz pa emplenadnan cualificá productivo.

Subgerente General J. J. Horigan a actua como Maestro di Ceremonia y a presentá e diplomanan. E ordonan cu el a introduci tabata Gezangheber Kwartz, Frater Canutus di Curaçao (cu a representa Director di Sinjaza Dr. Goolinga), L. G. Smith, y W. J. Haley, un miembro di Directiva di New York. Nan a muestra e aprendiznan riba e punto cu nan pasaba nan a haya nan diploma, no ke meen cu nan a terminá nan entrenamiento, al contrario ta awor nan ta bai cuminsá. Awor nan tin un conocimiento básico cu lo yuda nan extendé nan sabiduria cu ecursum di job training of cu nan hefenan.

„E mihor hendenan“, Gezangheber Kwartz a bisa, „ta esnan cu ta acceptá responsabilidad ora cu esaki yudo presentá nan nan“. Sr. Haley a recordá e aprendiznan cu nan trabao di klas por tabata „pasabel“, pero awor den nan trabao no tin tal, nan trabao mester ta precies.

Juan Tromp cu a gradúa cu e klas anterior a dirigi palabranan na e grupo di e anja aki, mostrando nan e beneficioman cu nan a saka di nan estudio, y Albertus Brown a pupa den nomber di graduadonan, expresando nan alegría y nan intencion di probecha e oportunidatnan cu nan estudio lo duna nan.

Despues di e ceremonia, nan a sirbi refresco den club y e hutsednan a inspectá trabosnan di e aprendiznan.

Juan Tromp ta acceptá su diploma y felicitacion di Sub-Directe General J. J. Horigan, Eugenio Hooft di Training Division (centro) ta yuda cu presentamento. John de Laner, na banda drecha, ta entrega un copia di „Primeras Auxilio“ na cada un di e graduadonan, cu a completá tambe un curso di Cruz Roja Junier, como parti di e programa di entrenamiento di aprendiznan.

Juan Tromp accepta his diploma and congratulations from Assistant General Manager J. J. Horigan. Eugenio Hooft of the Training Division (center) is assisting with the presentations. John de Laner, at left, hands a first aid kit to the graduates, each of whom completed the Junior Red Cross first aid course as part of the apprentice training program.



Un grupo grandi di membronan di famia y supervisor ta inspectá e exhibicion di trabao di e graduadonan, algo mihor na graduacion di e anja aki.



A large and interested crowd of family members and supervisors inspect the exhibit of classwork and shopwork that was a new feature in this year's graduation exercises.

E grupo cu a pupa discursa ta Albertus Brown, na banda drecha, cu e aprendiz culminadonan di e graduadonan. Dren e klas ta Lt. Governor Kwartz y na banda drecha Frater Canutus di Curaçao, e hantsednan cu e pupa discursa.

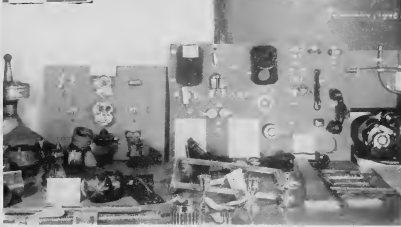


The first speaker at the left is Albertus Brown, who voiced the sentiments of the graduates. In the circle is Lt. Governor Kwartz, and at right Frater Canutus of Curaçao, the guest speakers.

E exhibicion cu a yuda mihor atencion favorable tabata e trabao di labor cu a demostrá sigla di e conocimientos y destrezá cu e muchanan a obtene durante nan entrenamiento. E interesnan fin di trabao di mester, tin e muchanan tabata exhibi, tambe nan probecman electrica, di trufinan y di maquinas automaticas.

The exhibit that drew much favorable attention was the shopwork that it indicated some of the knowledge and skills acquired by the boys during their training. Fine examples of woodwork, ironwork, and machining were on hand, as well as problems in electrical, telephone, and automatic maintenance.

Na banda drecha nan ta mira e graduadonan: Pato A. Brown, Juan de Laner, E. G. Smith, M. Germain, E. Beekman, (Desa di de), A. Figueroa, A. Groot, C. Trosier, J. Tromp, F. Keel, J. Wierman, Looze, J. Thyssen, H. Hooft (Desa di de), F. Nijssen, A. Arndts, H. Tromp, M. Pouwer, J. Christiaan, C. Croes, J. Tromp, G. Mollinari, van, K. van der, Looze, J. Buitik, W. van, P. de, Song, J. A. Raven, Augustus Johannes Mouton.



### Graduate 34 Apprentices

In the largest graduation of apprentices since this form of special training for Aruban boys began, 34 received diplomas February 22 at ceremonies in the Lago Club. While proud parents and interested guests and supervisors looked on, the young men went through the formalities that changed them from student-employees to full-pledged productive workers.

Assistant General Manager J. J. Horigan acted as Master of Ceremonies and presented the diplomas. The speakers he introduced were Lt. Governor Kwartz, Brother Canutus of Curaçao (acting for Director of Education Dr. Goolinga), L. G. Smith, and W. J. Haley, a member of Lago's Board of Directors in New York. Impressed on the graduates was the fact that the diplomas did not represent the end of their training; in fact, that it had just begun. They now have a basic knowledge that will help them as they extend their knowledge in job training courses or with their supervisors. "The best men", said Governor Kwartz, "are those that will accept responsibility when it is placed upon them." Mr. Haley reminded them that a "passing" grade in school work was acceptable, but in their work there is no such thing as "only passing" — their work must be right.

Juan Tromp of the previous year's class spoke to the group, pointing out the benefits derived from their studies, and Albertus Brown spoke for the graduates, expressing their pleasure and their intention of fulfilling the opportunities their studies have given them. Following the ceremony, refreshments were served in the lobby of the club, and the guests inspected exhibitions of classwork done by all the apprentice groups and shopwork done by the graduating class.



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## Fondo pa Spaar (Thrift Plan) pa Tripulacion di Lake Tankernan

Tripulantenan di Lake Tankernan a bira eligibel pa participa den Thrift Plan dia 1 di April, y contribucionnan a cumenza riba e fecha, segun un anuncio den e promé reunion di Comité Consultativo di Empleadonan di Tanker cu a tuma luga luna pasá.

E plan pa eplan cu ta ricibi nan salario na flotan ta tin e mes condicionnan cu e plan pa empleadonan den refineria. Detayenan ta casi cla pa "Lago Sterling Thrift Plan" pa tripulante Chineses, y ta ricibi nan salario pa plan Ingles, siendo cu nan ta contractá na oficina di e Compania na London.

Como parti de e Compania di Seguridad den bentar Planta, un Comité di Directiva, nombra pa L. C. Smith, a reuni pa prome bier di 14 di Maart pa studia y desarrola un programa di entretenimiento pa chauffeurnan di autoan di Compania.

E obhetu di e programa lo ta di train chauffeurnan competente y di renoba salubridad di e chauffeurnan actual.

Den e reunion nan a discuti e varios organen di accidente y e metodo pa evia nan y tambe euronan di stuurmento cu nan por usa.

E Comité ta consisti di Howard Daudet di Training Division, president, Gilbert Uhr di Labor Department, Gilbert Brook di Lago Police Department, John McCord di Garage, y Gordon Owen di Safety Department.

## Home Building Foundation Will Spend Fls. 450,000 On Sixty-Seven Houses

A contract was awarded to Ramon A. Montaner, General Contractor, March 28 for the construction of 67 houses costing over Fls. 450,000, according to a Home Building Foundation announcement late last week.

The new housing, representing a unit of 67 Essoville homes of a larger type, will be on a plot of land directly north of and bordering on the Lago Sport Park. A name for the new development is under consideration.

The street layout will be in conformance with the Government's plan for the entire area, and the Government will put in the streets and sidewalks for the Home Building Foundation.

All of the houses will be of the six-room type, with modern sanitary facilities, and are designed to take full advantage of Aruban trade winds. Construction will begin immediately, but material shortages may prevent completion before early in 1947.

Employees interested in securing information on the new housing should see the secretary of the Home Building Foundation, Fred Beaujon of the Cashier's Office, in the Main Office Building.

At the same time the H.B.F. announced that, in view of the large number of employees who wish to purchase homes, a further study is being made of additional areas in which houses may be built by the H.B.F. in the future.

## Development Co. V.-P. Speaks on Atomic Energy

Before a keenly interested audience that filled the Engineers' Club building to capacity and spilled over even to listeners outside the windows, E. V. Murphree, vice president of S. O. D., spoke March 16 on "Atomic Energy".

Mr. Murphree, who was cited in a recent "Time Magazine" as one of the most important figures in the development of the atomic bomb, took as his subject atomic energy as an energy source in competition to the oil business, in its application to transportation and power in general.

In introducing his subject he estimated that amount of uranium now known in the world as 10,000 tons. This, he said, is the equivalent of 800-million barrels of fuel oil under some limited conditions, or of 120 billion barrels if all the uranium could be converted into heat. The latter figure is six times the proven oil reserves of the United States.

A pound of normal uranium, which might cost about eight dollars, is equivalent to 42 barrels of fuel oil, while a pound of U-235 would equal 6,000 barrels of oil in output of B.T.U.'s.

As a means of producing commercial power, Mr. Murphree stated that one of the chief drawbacks to atomic energy is the enormously heavy shielding needed to protect human beings against the harmful effects of neutrons released in the process. In some stages of the process it might be necessary that the operation be surrounded by six feet of water, several feet of concrete, an air space, and then more concrete, to be perfectly safe. Obviously, he said, this condition would prevent its use as a power factor except in power plants or on heavy ships, so that dreams of atomic energy-powered automobiles and airplanes will probably not be realized.

Commercial development will probably result if the necessary information is made available to a sufficient number of scientists so that the cost of some of the stages of the process may be greatly simplified. Mr. Murphree mentioned that some of the processes now cost \$1 to 100 times what he believes they will eventually cost after full development. Such research is very expensive but the U. S. Government is continuing the development. There seems to be no threat in the near future to the coal and oil business as a source of primary fuel.

An interesting feature of the question period following his talk covered the "secretcy" of the atomic bomb that has concerned both those that have the secret and those that do not have it, ever since the first bomb fell. He confirmed the common belief that the only secret involved in the engineering, chemistry, and physics "know-how" involved, and that any nation can work through the problem, given enough money. He stated that the publication of the famous Smyth report revealed information which might save other nations as much as two years in devel-



Flanked by an equinox containing the famous symbol "U-235", E. V. Murphree of the Standard Oil Development Company, expounds some of the principles of atomic energy in a talk here March 16.

## Management Committee Meets To Plan Safe Driving Course

As a part of the plant-wide safety campaign, a management committee appointed by L. G. Smith met in the first of a series of discussions March 14 to study and develop a training program for drivers of Company-owned vehicles.

The object of the program will be to train competent drivers and to refresh the knowledge of the present drivers.

Serving on the Committee are Howard Daudet of the Training Division as chairman, Gilbert Uhr of the Labor Department, Gilbert Brook of the Lago Police Department, John McCord of the Garage, and Gordon Owen of the Safety Department.

## E Jaagmento tawata bon



Esnan cu ta biba na Noord tin bon chens di bira jaag di karnen. E grupo aki ta ora di dia pa jaag y nan a bolbe cu a corpa aki. Nan ta cu ta bini, bon ta cu ta gan. E jaagmento ta (drecht pa robes) Estevan Tromp, di Jaag, y Juan Figueroa, Benito Tromp, di diestru Tromp, y Esteban Tromp.

Living near Noord and being a rabbit hunter seem to be one and the same thing. This group went out one day and came back with this fine catch. They say it's simple if you know how. They, left to right, Estevan Tromp of the Mechanics, and some neighbors, Juan Figueroa, Benito Tromp, Esteban Tromp, and Esteban Tromp.

## Underground Fighters Here En Route to States



These seven Norwegian, formerly of the underground in Norway, were pictured during their visit to Aruba while en route to take refuge in college in the States. They are, left to right, Gunnar Bjørn, Leif Nag, Rolf Østrem, Odd Jønsen, Victor Lund, Arvid Tønnessen, and Paul Jørgen.

E siete hombernan aki tabata miembro di underground Noruega, y a brega Alemanan na secreto durante guerra. Nan a keda Aruba varios dia shon pasu y na a sigui pa Merca pa nan bon corpa. Aruba tin un bon reputacion pa Noruega y nan mester a kum e burla grandi, kum bini Aruba den tanker y pa nan sigru aki pa Merca den tanker tamba.

Smokes poured out of a Bachelor Quarters door one day last week, in a big enough cloud to make one passer-by think the building was on fire.

There was no fire, however — just seven young Norwegian in transit here, catching up on cigarettes after the lean war years with little or no tobacco. The seven were officers in the Norwegian underground, and are now on their way to American universities where they have scholarships as a reward for their war services.

The group related interesting tales of the resistance movement from first-hand experience. Resistance did not spring up overnight, they said, but took careful planning and development. The first step was underground newspapers to counter Nazi propaganda and to inform the people of the war's progress. The next stage was sabotage.

Norway was the scene of much of Europe's advanced research in "heavy

## Thrift Plan for Laker Crews Similar to Refinery's Plan

The Laker tankers' crews (unlicensed personnel) became eligible for the Lago Thrift Plan April 1, with contributions starting on that date, according to an announcement at the first meeting of the tankermen's advisory committee last month.

The plan for the ships' guildler-paid personnel, which because of various unusual factors has been under consideration for over a year, will have the same provisions as the plan for refinery employees.

## Chinese have separate plan

Detail work is nearing completion also on the "Lago Sterling Thrift Plan," for Chinese crewmen whose earnings are in English currency since their services were contracted for in the London offices of the Company.

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## Going, Going . . . GONE

The purpose of any auction is to get as much money as possible out of the articles being auctioned. You may receive a \$50 article for \$10 if no one is bidding against you; on the other hand, you may have to pay 50 to get something that is actually worth only 10, because someone else wanted it almost as much as you did, regardless of its value.

The system works no hardship at auctions. The buyer can never feel cheated when he pays an exorbitant price, because he himself helped bid it up to that level, and he could stop bidding whenever he liked. Besides, auctions are rare. But the thing becomes more serious when meat and potatoes, socks and shirts, and the hundreds of other essentials to daily living are concerned. One of the principal reasons for the increased cost of living here is that competition between merchants does not exist to any great extent and they are able to sell anything they can import at high prices. The quantity of goods imported to this island is limited by the amount of dollar exchange available and not by consumer demand. This will continue to be true for some time to come.

One cannot blame a merchant for trying to get as high a price as possible when his customers are eager to buy anything he has. Therefore, if we wish to keep prices within the range of our pocketbooks, we must refuse to pay unreasonable prices. The Government has established a price control bureau, but it cannot enforce its regulations if the customers do not bring specific cases to its attention.

The net result of the present situation is that if we want to get our money's worth during this period of inflation, we must buy only what is the most essential, paying no more than the Government ceiling prices, and refusing to spend money for other things unless the prices are reasonable.

This takes will power, for money "burns a hole in your pocket". But if everyone spends his money freely when goods are scarce, prices are bound to be unreasonable and everyone suffers from the high cost of living.

Regular trade is not all that is concerned with inflation. The person who sells some pre-war electrical appliance or piece of furniture for three times what it cost five years ago may get a tremendous amount of money, but he is receiving "something for nothing". What he enjoys is only an illusion, however, for in his little way he contributes to upward-spiraling prices, and the extra money he made only goes to buy something else which costs HIM more than it should.

Prices are high enough due to post-war conditions — let us not make them higher by bidding against the other fellow when goods are scarce.

Obheto di tur vindihá di di haya tanta placa posibel pa e articuloan cu ta worde bendi na vindihó. Bo por haya un articulo cu bai \$ 50 pa \$ 10, si ningun hende no ta ofrece contra bo; de lo contrario, bo por paga \$ 50 pa un articulo cu no ta bal mas cu \$ 10, pasobra tin un otro hende cu tabatin casi mes tanto gana di e articulo cu bo, indiferente di su balor.

E sistema aki no ta causá ningun malcontento na vindihó. E comprador no por bira cu nan e nek e ora cu e paga un prijs excesivo, pasobra e mes a yuda hiba e prijs y e por a stop di ofrece ki ora e tabata ke. Ademas, masha raru vez tin vindihó.

Peru e asunto ta bira mas serio ora esaki ta toca carní y batata, mes y camisia y hosi otro articuloan di uso diario. Un di e misionan principal cu Costo di Bida ta asina: pa cu tin competencia entre vendedornan y nan por bende kico cu nan importa na prijsnan halto. E

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Jan Oudeker	Police	Bartholomew	Hospital
Jose La Cruz	Police	Bartholomew	Hospital
Yonnie Veenendaal	Police	Bartholomew	Hospital
Tourne Van Meerens	Police	Bartholomew	Hospital
Standa Sabih	Police	Bartholomew	Hospital
Huubert Koury	Police	Bartholomew	Hospital

(Stars after a name indicate that that reporter has turned in a tip for this issue.)

### Long Service Awards

March, 1946

10-YEAR BUTTONS

John Hughes	Commissary
Johannes Thompson	Cold Storage
Antonio Bryson	Col. Operations
Florence Thomas	Com. School
Henry Medcove	Instrument
Stanley Smith	Instrument
Simon Alberto	Electrical
Walter Arrindell	Mechanic
Petrus Frankes	Welding
Bruce Arends	Labor
Charles Joseph	Lago Police
Leonard Van Putten	Lago Police
Barbaresto Amaya	L.O.F.
Ricardo Weaver	L.O.F.
Carl Amaya	Acc & Edal
Marie Lacle	Press Still
Francisco Heronimo	Gas Plant
Santiago Croes	Gas Plant
Andrew Christie	Dry Dock
Donisio Blaup	Dry Dock



Logo Oil & Transport Company Ltd.

In recognition of an exceptional achievement in support of the United States War Effort

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Added to the refinery's earlier recognitions of wartime work was a special U. S. Navy Achievement Award recently received and pictured above. With the award was the letter from the Navy to President L. S. Smith.

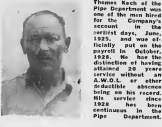
"It is our distinct pleasure to advise you that the Navy's Certificate of Achievement has been awarded to your organization. This certificate signifies the Navy's recognition of the splendid efforts put forth by the men and women of your organization in support of the war production program. We hope you will approve in these same words the Navy's sincere appreciation and thanks."

cantidad di articuloan importá pa e isla aki ta limitá pa via cu dollar ta limitá y no pa demanda di consumidornan. Es situación aki sigui existi pa algun tempo ainda.

Ningun hende no por culpa un comerciante cu ta trata di haya prijsnan asina halto posibel pa su articuloan, si clientenan ta loco pa compra kico cu e tin. P'eseñ si nos ta desea di tene prijsnan na nivel cu nos portanadonan, nos mester menga di paga prijsnan exagerá. Gobierno a establec un Oficina pa Control di Prijsnan, pero e no por realisa su doel si clientenan no ta yama nan atención riba e casonan specifico.

E resultado di e situacón actual ta hael cu si nos ké haya balor di naq placa durante e periodo di inflación aki, nos mester compra solamente lo di mas necesario, sin paga mas cu prijsnan estipulá pa Gobierno y di menga di gasta placa pa otro cosnan na prijsnan cu no ta razonabel. Pa ecañi mester di fuerza boluntad, y si tur hende distriñi placa ora e articuloan ta sears, ta sigur cu prijsnan lo bira inrazonabel y nos tur lo suñri ora cu Costo di Bida bira mas halto.

Prijsnan ta basta halto cabu pa motivo di geura — no laga nos haci man saki mas, ofreciendo di paga cu un otro ora articuloan ta sears.



30-YEAR BUTTON (February)

George Wilmer of the Presses Stillia started with the Standard Oil Company in 1916, and was assigned to the West River refinery. He was transferred to Aruba in 1928 and to the present assignment in 1936.



30-YEAR BUTTON (February)

Harry Reminger of the Standard Oil Company started with S.O. Co. of Indiana in 1916. After several years he was transferred to Aruba in 1928. In 1932 he became a stockholder in the Standard Oil Company. In 1942 he transferred to L.O.F., where he is presently employed.

## Visitors Prowl Through Sub On Shakedown Cruise Here

Breaking surface just outside the reef on March 17, the U. S.S. REMORA was put in at San Nicolas harbor, on her shakedown cruise. The REMORA, one of the newest submarines that the Navy has to offer, stayed here for two days before sailing.

Commissioned in January, 1946 and named by a war-wise crew, the REMORA carries the very latest in armament, radar, and sound detection equipment. While she was tied up at the moorings, dock visitors were escorted through the cramped quarters, and marveled at the tremendous amount of dials, gauges, signal-lights, batteries, engines, and pumps that make up the machinery of such a small space, not to mention a couple of dozen torpedoes and about 80

men. After leaving Aruba the REMORA was to stop in at Panama and Havana on her way back to the States where she will become a school ship at the famous submarine school at New London, Connecticut.

Cattle in a refinery would be a decided novelty, but don't be surprised if you stumble across some soon. While being unloaded from shipboard in Oranjestad March 27, some strays, and were last seen a day or so later in Savaneta merrily making their way toward Lago. In fact, the manager of the slaughterhouse inquired at the Lago Police Office whether any of his men had seen through the gates lately, with or without badge pictures.



Thomas Kok of Pipe Department a ricibi su boton di 20 años di sirishiba na Maart. E tabata un di e hombernan emplea na cuenta di Compania diamante e promé dianan na Juni di 1925 y na October di 1928 el a bira rita payu oficialmente. El a distingi su mes cu su sirishiba di 20 años sin ningun A.W.O.L. di cualter otro ausensia descomparta riba su record. Desde aña 1929 el a traha continuamentu na Pipe Department. (Su portret ta den di custer columna.)

## DEATHS

Paulus M. Tromp of the Carpenters, on March 24 at the age of 49. He had continuous service of nearly 13 years, was a participant in the Thrift Plan, and under the provisions of the Company's new death benefits policy, his family will receive one year's salary. He is survived by his wife, five daughters, and three sons.

A MURI: Paulus M. Tromp di Carpenters, dia 24 di Maart na edad di 49 aña. El tabata den servicio continuo di Compania pa 13 aña, e tabata participante den Thrift Plan y segun condicionnan di e póliza nobel/Compania pa beneficiario mortuario, su familia lo ricibi un aña di salario. E a baha tres mucher, cinco jiu-muher y tres jio-homber.

# AROUND THE PLANT

## Lall meets Lana Turner

The thrill of a lifetime came to Manohar Lall of M. & C. when he met Lana Turner while on vacation in Trinidad. The star stopped and spoke with him and Archie Stevenson of No. 3 Laboratory, at the airport.

Lall reports that he had quite a little chat and that she posed several times for him to take pictures, and also gave them her autograph. Manohar got his on a pack of cigarettes but Stevenson used no less than a one-pound note. The men probably believe now that all vacations should include an interlude like this one.

## Want to buy a burro?

Maris del Prado, who handles Personnel matters at the Main Gate, would have sold one cheap last week when it was found calmly standing in the back of his car parked in front of the Lago Police Office. It isn't generally known whether someone helped it in as a joke, or whether getting in was the barico's own idea. Anyway, there it was, until the police ushered it out onto solid ground again.

In a letter sent in care of the Company to the Master of the tanker FOHT HENRY, Lt. Governor L. C. Kwartz extended his thanks for the assistance rendered the two Curaçao fishermen recently picked up near here. (See story in February 22 issue of Aruba ESo news). The men were brought to San Nicolas and expressed their gratitude for the way they had been treated.

Rafael Martinez of the Drydock returned last week from long vacation in Venezuela, and brought with him some good pictures he took in Caracas. The first-rate one printed at right shows one of the buildings in "El Silencio", a new housing development in the Venezuelan capital. Seven buildings, with a patio in the center of each cover seven city blocks, chiefly apartments which rent at from \$ 45 to \$ 100 per month depending on size. Each one of the units, which are in a combination of old and modern Spanish architecture, is the largest apartment building in South America. In the center of the seven blocks is the Plaza Urdaneta, which is three times as large as the city's main Plaza Bolívar.

Silvani Serrani is working in the Marine Department on the docks. This may not mean much to some readers, but if the name were changed to the "Gorilla", it might mean more. The noted local fighter is now a Lago employee, having started work March 11. Silvani says that his boxing career will continue and that he will be seen in the local arenas. For his most recent picture, see page 5.

Justino Soto is back at work in the Boiler Shop after six weeks vacation in Venezuela. He visited relatives in Puerto Cabello and Caracas and also had a fine time at the Carnival in both cities.

Winnie Robee (Mrs. Charles R., whose husband is in Personnel) was recently mentioned by a columnist in a British Guiana paper, who congratulated her on her work as co-producer with Mrs. C. MacDonald of the "Folies Variete" at the Lago Club several months ago.

Victor Pellicer, who was in the transportation section of Personnel here from July 1, 1940 to June 29, 1945, was named local employment superintendent at Croole at Caracas March 11. According to a letter recently received by friends, Victor, who hailed from Venezuela originally, is well-pleased with his new job.

## Gorilla ta traha awor

Silvani Serrani ta traha na Marine Department riba dock. Poliser henderman no conocé e nomber aki, pero si nos cambiá pa „Gorilla“ anto si ocreanan ta para manera di biañ cu a tende tiro. E notable boxer local cu un „empledo“ di Lago awor, di e centro traha, March 11 di Maart, Silvani a biañ cu e i sigui su carrera di boxeo y cu an lo miré den ringnan local. Pa su portret di mas reciente, mira pagina 5.

Justino Soto a bolbe na su traha na Boiler Shop despues di un vacancie di seis siman na Venezuela. El a biañisti su familiar na Puerto Cabello y na Caracas y el a gora hopi cor Carnival na tur e dos logarnan cu el a biañisti.

Den un carta mandá na cargo di Compania pa Master di e tanker FOHT HENRY, Gezaghbeer H. C. Kwartz a extendí su gradicimento pa asistencia prestá na e dos piscadornan Curaçoleño, cu a naufragá algun dia pasá. (Mira e storia den ESo news di 22 di Februari). E hombernan a bin San Nicolas den e traha y nan a expresá nan gradicimento pa e be e trato cu nan a haya alorido.

Victor Pellicer, cu tabata traha na Personnel Department di 1 di Juli, 1940 te 29 di Juni, 1945 a wordo nombrá como Hefe di Empleo Local na Compania di Croole na Caracas dia 11 di Maart, segun un carta sibiñal na su amigo, Victor, cu ta Venezolano originalmente, ta masha satisfeco cu su job.



Rafael Martinez a bolbe di „vacancie largo“ siman pasá. El a biañisti Venezuela y el a traze algun bon portret di Caracas. Egun di mihor aki „riba“ ta muestra un di e edificionan di „El Silencio“, un construcion nobo den centro di Caracas. „El Silencio“ ta consisti di siete edificio cu un patio mel-mel di cada y cada edificio ta corre di skina te skina di luna. E edificionan ta parti na apartamentu cu ta huur na 45 te 100 dolar pa luna, segun grandura. Cada un di e edificionan ta e edificio mas grandi di apartamentu di Sur America. Nan ta un combinacion di arquitectura Español henter y Español moderno. Plaza Urdaneta ta keda mel-mel di e siete edificionan y e plaza aki ta tres mas grandi cu Plaza Bolívar, cu ta e plaza principal di Caracas.



## Ken ke compra un burico?

Maris del Prado, cu ta traha pa Personnel na Main Gate, lo a bende un macha barama siman pasá; el a haya un pará p'atras den su auto cu el i parker dilanti di oficina di Lago Police. E no a haya ná di si algun hende por a yuda e burico drepta pa chanzá di si ta e burico mes tabata ke un cabel-toho. Con que na, e burico a keda ey den te ora polis a poné riba tora firme atrobe.

## Laker Returns After Four Years War Service

### Misoa Landed First Vehicle In North African Campaign

Out of the cryptic phrases of an unofficial log unfolds the story of the wartime service of the lake tanker MISOA, which arrived back in Aruba last week after a five-year absence. It was the story of bombings, attacks on convoys, submarine contacts, air attacks, prisoners of war and roaring tanks. It is told in a log maintained by the ship's navigation officer. Unfortunately, it was not carried on after he left the ship in October, 1943, but it covers plenty of action in two years.

The need for shipping had become desperate in 1941, and the British Admiralty was on the lookout for all like-looking vessels to be converted into ships of war. The MISOA filled the bill and was requisitioned and sent back to England for conversion.

To change a tanker into an LST might seem like a tremendous job, but not to the men who build ships. In a comparatively short time MISOA was a first-class fighting ship, ready to try her guns (not to mention her new bow ramp) in action.

From her commissioning to action was only a short step, and the ex-tanker took her place as one of His Majesty's ships. One of the first of her assignments was a long trip down the coast of Africa to Freetown, where she met the BACHAQUERO, also of the Lake Fleet. From Freetown, the ships sailed for Madagascar for the campaign there (BACHAQUERO took part in the operations, MISOA did not).

From December, 1941, to November, 1942, are listed a great number of practice landings. The reason for these is soon evident, for listed in red ink for the date November 8, 1942, is, "Beach of Arzon". The first vehicle on the beach from the MISOA was the first vehicle landed in the North African campaign that started turning the tide for the Allies.

After the initial landings in North Africa the tanker performed many other duties, chief among them the ferrying of troops and vehicles to various parts of the Mediterranean theater.

Constant mention is made at this time of the air attacks, and submarine attacks and contacts. More red-letter days were in store for the MISOA from January 17-19, 1943, when she was under constant air and submarine attacks during runs between Oran, Philippeville, and Algiers.

During this time the MISOA accounted for one aircraft (certain) and two more probable, and a submarine (most definite). The sub was attacked off Algiers

and the "U-boat" was sunk at sea. This converted Lake tanker did passenger service during the war. As an LST, she is no longer designed for cargo, but it is her way to Aruba. At right is a model of the tanker as she was, equipped for war.

with depth charges and forced to the surface. Then it was put away with gunfire. At this time the TASAJERA (another of the Maracaibo Oilers) is mentioned as being struck by a torpedo, but nothing is said as to what became of her.

Another sort of red-letter day was January 26, 1943, when Lord Louis Mountbatten visited the ship at Algiers. Strangely enough, the record of ferrying action with the enemy is carried in nonchalant little notes, while Mountbatten's visit, apparently the only thing that excited the log-keeper, is underlined three times in ink.

The ship's closest escape was a June 18, 1943, when in an air attack a bomb hit the ship, but miraculously it was a dud and failed to explode. Among the records of attacks by submarines is one in which the torpedo passed only 20 yards astern. Her record is thickly interspersed throughout with notable achievements, and shows action almost without letup.

After finishing her duties in the Mediterranean she returned to England, landing at Devonport in October, 1943. At this point the log ends abruptly, apparently due to the transfer of the owner to other duties.

During this time the converted tanker had transported 1922 war vehicles of all types, over 3,000 soldiers, and several thousand prisoners of war. She had been all over North African waters. Oran, Philippeville, Algiers, Soussa, Pantelleria, Benghazi, Tunis, Agades, and Tripoli, and some of the ports which saw her riding at anchor.

The MISOA was part of the naval forces forming in 1944 for the great D-day invasion in which she took part.

The MISOA's return to the Maracaibo run leaves only two tankers still away, out of the five that were requisitioned. The INVERGOSA and INVEILAGO, which were on bunkering duty in African ports, returned some time ago. The BACHAQUERO and TASAJERA, which were landing craft like the MISOA, are now in the States, being refitted as tankers and will soon be back.



Victor of the shell-torn beaches of Normandy and Italy, the "Misoa" shows unique as member. This converted Lake tanker did passenger service during the war. As an LST, she is no longer designed for cargo, but it is her way to Aruba. At right is a model of the tanker as she was, equipped for war.

E portret aki ta mostra MISOA un di e tankeran di mas nobo di Lago Fleet grandi cu guerra, cu a bende Aruba despues di hopi siman den guerra. E portret ta toka na Caracas, segun un carta sibiñal na su amigo, Victor, cu ta Venezolano originalmente, ta masha satisfeco cu su job. E ta keda mel-mel di e siete edificionan di "El Silencio" na Caracas. E ta tres mas grandi cu Plaza Bolívar, cu ta e plaza principal di Caracas. E ta keda mel-mel di e siete edificionan y e plaza aki ta tres mas grandi cu Plaza Bolívar, cu ta e plaza principal di Caracas.

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Capacity audiences at parents and friends till of the Lucas School matinee shows 21 and 22 when the comedy "Kiss Kiss" was presented by dual casts. Most of those who had a part in the production was shown at right. (Those not otherwise indicated are the young actors and actresses). In back row: Wilmore Wade, Miss W. Murphy (assistant director), Walter Bushette, Louise Foyler, Tom Tucker, Mrs. W. H. Mendenhall (director), Albert Ray, Bryan McGill, Kenneth Drough, Christine Bushette and Evelyn Wade (prompters), Marjorie Smith (presenter), and Miriam Morris. The center row has: Heather Waters, Claire Walker, Bob and Dick Rollins, Tom Winget, Lucy Smith, and Pauline Morgan. In front row: Rich Reiberbach (referee), and Roy Burgoon. Cast members not in the picture are: Donald Stuart, Pat Scott, Sherry Weaver, Bob Leonard, Ronald Kennedy and Betty Ann Bissler. Others who helped were: Mary Macri, advertising; Mircea Javabach, lais; Roberts Staff, propertor; Virginia Moore, program; J. Cahill, who handled the box office; and others: Billy Morgan and Duke Richey.



Three-dimensional pin-ups are Hollywood's latest development. If you'd like to see your breakfast table, we're sorry we can't arrange it for you. Grace MacDonnell is the starlet apparently defying the laws of gravity.



Generalissimo palinjan na pan on wibe to slabos, pure sa esun aki. Dico-poco cu el a pone eun di tinimo regular mutim-ita a panjan, pishabon mente e na a keda mucho salisheko, y umbel drogas el a pone eun na banda drech, cu ta mas grandi cu eun di prima. E palinjo ta partance na Pedro Break di Accounting.

Das - at a time it's ordinarily enough, but not for this hen. After laying the second-size egg in the center, she was not content with her performance and went right ahead and laid the larger one at right. The hen is owned by Pedro Break of the Accounting Office. He says she's still a little tired.



When Trinidad celebrates Carnival time, it really celebrates in an unostentatious form. Literally hundreds of bands in every form of fancy dress imaginable parade and compete for prizes. Many bands even have two completely different themes, one for the morning hours and another for later in the day. At top right is shown a "ragtime band" in the streets of Port of Spain. Below is the "Bum and Coca Cola" band. The pictures were sent to Robert Murray of T.S.D. by the photographer who appears in the second view.



Jes Trinidad celebra Carnaval ta di berdad mta e ta celebra. Algun otro banda keda keda na tur corte di airaz cu ta mas bonicini a ora den parada pa nan competi pa premio. Mugi banda tabatin basta dos difraz, un pa matata y un pa stardi. Ariba, na banda drech, e banda di Drummen den cayanan di Port of Spain. Abao - e banda di "Bum and Coca Cola". E portretman a tin di Trinidad pa Robert Murray di T.S.D.; cu ruman mular, cu ta parce den e segundo grupo a manda man pa.

Hollywood na ta monopoliza bishita francesan. Mira e muchu-muchu mas adifini por sherpel: algun dia acuramentu ta a por chupel pa ruina di bishita. E portret ta taha na school Catholic di Santa Cruz. E muestra na banda drech ta Johnson, Vries, ruman di Marie Vries di Poremond y e muestra na banda drech ta Marie Wierman, Marie su tasta.

Hollywood has no corner on feminine beauty. The little girl closest to the camera, for instance, will see day by a "queen" in her own right. The picture was taken at the Catholic school at Santa Cruz. The teacher at back left is Johnson; Vries, sister of Marie Vries of Poremond; and the teacher at back right is Marie Wierman, Marie's aunt.









## 7 ZEBOR AT OCK

Ta facil pa mira cu tin hopi cos robes. Un experto Bussador-di-fout a hreci na menos cu 72 fout den e hreci aki 'riba cu sigur lo causá accidente. Mira cuanto cos robes bo por haya. (Den e próximo número di e Essu News nos lo publicá un lista di e foutnan.)

## Form Softball League For Play in Sport Park

Softball is again on the way. In a meeting of the Sports Committee March 27, the creation of a 14-team league was decided upon with a schedule to be drawn up in the near future.

The rules covering the play during the competition will be practically the same as before with a few minor changes. A new umpiring practice has come into being with this league. The captain and one other man on each team will be required to act as umpires from time to time when their team is not scheduled to play. In this connection, R. W. Stikkel of the Personnel Department has consented to hold brief coaching sessions in the noble art of "calling 'em" for the men concerned.

The teams in the league are the Carpenters, Machinist and Foundry, Personnel and Accounting, Utilities, Drydock, Acid Plant, Fleet Commissary, Pressure Still, T.S.D., M. & C. Colony Operations, Light Oils Training Division, the Dutch Army, and one team still to be added. (The Army will not be competing for the departmental championship.)

## BIOGRAFIA CORTICO

Juan Emers por recordá e promé anja di refinaria di Lago y di Lago Fleet bon ainda.

Juan a traha cu Fleet casi na su cuminamento na anja 1924. Na Maart di 1925 el a yega Aruba y el a bira derde Stuurman abordo di S. S. BACOOI. Esey tabata cuminamento di un carrera largu cu Lago.

Juan a nace na Bonaire 53 anja pasá y tempo cu e tabatin 13 anja el a bai nabegá. Un di su promé bihanan tabata abordo di un barco di bala di tres master cu tabata carga tabla pa armamento di riel di Savannah, Georgia pa New York. Na anja 1915 Juan a bai abordo di un vapor Americano GUAMO, cu tabata baha entre New York y Porto Rico.

Despues di un tempo cortico na tera na anja 1916 durante cual el a traha na Drydock y a bai school, Juan a bolbe bai nabegá cu un vapor di Standard Oil, cu tabata yama STANDARD, cu cual el a bai México y Juan di ey nan tabata carga e vapor usando un slang cu tabatin den lamay y nan tabata pomp o acetá den e vapor.

Na anja 1920 Juan tabata na tera abordo di e bai school di Nabegecion. Despues di 6 luna el a bai school cu certificado di derde Stuurman. Cu esaki den su poder el a bai traha cu Grace Line na su anja 1924 y e ora el a bai haci un keiru na Bonaire.

Na Januari di 1925 el a bai Corsow cu aya un loads Curazoeño a bié cu na

Aruba tin un trabao pè. Juan a bini Aruba y el a bira derde Stuurman abordo di BACOOI, cu tabata baha entre Aruba y Maracibo. Despues el a bira derde Stuurman abordo di PALMER y despues di poco tempo nan a duna traha na tera y el a traha cu Ralph Watson; nan mester a split waya cu cual nan tabata descargá e plachinan di s'oil cu cual nan a traha e tankinan. E tankinan aki tabata esnan di promé cu tabatin na San Nicolas.

Ora cu e trabao aki a bini e bai bai nabegá atrobe como Tweede Stuurman di INVERCORRE y despues di INVEROSA.

Despues el a bolbe bini traha algun tempo na tera, construyendo un separator na anja 1926 bao di mando di Captain Rodger; despues di esaki el a bai traha cu un marino di stoom pa claba palan na tera y el a yega a bini e bai nabegá su man. El a pasa tres luna den hospital y asina cu e a sali el a bolbe na su trabao, y e baha aki pa construi un casu e mes luna caminda Laboratorio No. 1 a awor.

Juan tabata presente ora e promé vapor a ancrá na e main dock nobo trahá na November di anja 1927. Desde e tempo ey tur servicio cu Juan tin cu Compañia ta na Marine Wharve unda el a cuminá traha na December di 1927.

## 7 GNORW STAHW

That plenty is wrong is plain to be seen. In fact, an expert wrong-finder has located no less than 72 things in the picture at left that are accidents on their way to happening. How many can YOU find? (A checklist will be published in the next issue.)

## Comité pa Hendenan di Tanker Pa Yuda Fleet y Directiva

Dia 22 di Februari malmbronan di Comité nobo pa hendenan di Lake Tankers a reuni pa promé baha na Marine Office pa discutí comé e grupo lo funciuná y su moda di procedé.

E Comité eligi pa tripartidacion di Lake Fleet, a wordo formá pa duna oportunidad pa Directiva y e hendenan di tanker por reuni y discutí anuntion di pólitica general y di interes mutual.

E organizacian di e comitè di un representante eligi di cada Lake tanker y di esnan cu ta traha na tera tambe y nan tin idea di recibi un biaba pa luna.

E formacian di e grupo aki lo ta promé cu e hombernan di Lake Fleet lo tin representacion directa pa por tene problema nan na atencion di Directiva.

Na e promé reunion e siguiente anejores tabata presente: J. M. B. Howard y Captain W. L. Thomas cu a presidí. Representante nan di e Lake tankerman tabata O. Richardson di DELAFLAINE, L. Bowers di JUSEPIN, C. Thomas di MARACAY, A. Cook di TRUJILLO, C. Antoine di esnan cu ta traha na tera y U. Boom-Kim di e Chinesean cu ta traha na tera.

## Tankermen's Committee Formed To Aid Fleet and Management

Meeting for the first time, members of the newly-formed Lake Tankermen's Committee gathered in the Marine Office February 22 to discuss the functions of the group and outline its mode of procedure.

The Committee, elected from unlicensed crews in the Lake Fleet, was formed to provide a means for management and the tankermen to get together and discuss matters of general overall policy and mutual interest.

The organization is formed of an elected representative from each of the Lake tankers in addition to men from the shore personnel, and it is planned to meet once a month.

The formation of this group will mark the first time that men of the Lake fleet have had direct representation as a means of bringing problems to the attention of Management.

Present at the first meeting were J. M. B. Howard and Captain W. L. Thomas, who presided, in addition to the regular Management representatives, A. Eves, W. Baker, and Captain J. MacLennan. Representing the tankermen were O. Richardson of the DELAFLAINE, L. Bowers of the JUSEPIN, C. Thomas of the MARACAY, A. Cook of the TRUJILLO, C. Antoine of the shore gang, and L. Boom-Kim of the Chinese shore-staff.

## NEW ARRIVALS

A daughter, Verónica Fredetta, to Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Williams, March 8.  
 A son, John Alexander, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pava, March 8.  
 A son, Felix Martin, to Mr. and Mrs. Phoenix Laska, March 8.  
 A son, John Alexander, to Mr. and Mrs. Desiro W. van der Meer, March 10.  
 A son, Jimmy Thomas, to Mr. and Mrs. Catherine Thomas, March 10.  
 A daughter, Marjorie Ann, to Mr. and Mrs. Jacques Vaeur, March 12.  
 A daughter, Margaret Elisabeth, to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Richardson, March 12.  
 A son, Louis, to Mr. and Mrs. George, to Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Weaver, March 12.  
 A son, Louis, to Mr. and Mrs. Helen Logie, March 12.  
 Twins, a son and daughter and a daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. John Verduin, March 14.  
 A daughter, Corélie Oude, to Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Beukley, March 14.  
 A son, Willem, to Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. Maria van der Wal, March 14.  
 A son, Victor Rufin, March 14.  
 A daughter, Margie Finnoosa, to Mr. and Mrs. Francisco Koch, March 17.  
 A daughter, Maria Antónia, to Mr. and Mrs. Doretta Nevada, March 17.  
 A daughter, Hazel Bonaguid, to Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Bholer, March 17.  
 A daughter, Gertrude, to Mr. and Mrs. William Gilson, March 21.

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Scenes like those above and at left depicted the liberation joy in many hard-hit sections of Holland where the Germans moved out. While some reconstruction goes on, many of the scars will be visible for years, and on this first celebration of Liberation Day, these buildings stand as grim reminders of the recent past. These views are from Arnhem, one of the most fight-heavy sections. The pictures were loaned by Marcus del Frank, who received them from his parents in Arnhem.

Erasmusman mabera esnan aki riba y na banda rekabr a mabera y agraia di liberacion na e parti di Holanda cu a keda destrui cu salida di Alemanan. Na la reconstruyendo ake, pero hayi mabera largu e abstran di guerra lo bula visible y cu celebracion di Dia di Liberacion, e edificacion aki ta un triste recuerdo di loke a pasa. E bintanan aki ta di Arnhem, un di e lagunan cu unid mabera den e banga. E hermanan ta di Marica del Frank, cu a ricibi nan di su mabera na Arnhem.

Cutting the spliced out from under himself is what Rupert Fiory of the Field Bullmuckers does in the doing. He is burrow through the plates preparatory to the dismantling of the tank. The rig he is using is a "Chain Grower" job developed here for just such work as this. It is made of sections of steel beam welded together and is equipped with rollers so that it can be moved easily around the sides of the tanks.

To parse out mabera cu Rupert Fiory la carta a tanki haa di su meti cuerpo. Pero loke e ta haci ta di haa e pashionan pa desarraha e tanki. E aparato cu e ta usa aha ta construi aki mes especialmente pa e trabao ay. E ta traha di barinan di steel pavidu as otro y e tin un ma de pa e corce rond di e tanki segun cu e trabao ta kama e pashionan.



With men of the Hydro-lyby Division grouped around him, J. C. Souder, recently transferred head of the division, is shown here receiving a farewell gift of a pen and pencil set from A. Galtreer. A speech was made following the presentation by J. Souder. Mr. Souder left for his new job in the Esso Engineering department at Rayway April 11.



This strange egg was laid March 31 by a two and a half month old Rhode Island hen owned by Smit Beekhoudt at L.D.F. She was received here when she was only three days old and was fed on a combination of growing meat and laying mash. The first result is something that looks like a cork between an hour-glass and a hawking pin. Mr. Beekhoudt hopes her future efforts will be more conventional.

Un gajina di raza Rhode Island 3 1/2 luna blona a pone e weto strange aki dia 31 di March. Su dnanja lo Smit Beekhoudt di L.D.F. El e haya e gajina tempo cu e tabata masha poyita di 3 dia y di e cria cu un mezcla di comida pa bula cria y pa hacie pone weto. E resultado ta otro cu porce un gajin di tanki di midia tempo y un hawking pin. Sr. Beekhoudt ta spera cu en e futuro e gajina lo bira poco mas serio.

The Women's Club Flower Show at the Esso Club April 2 was the scene of this leafy array of garden tasks, equipment, and plant food, arranged by Mrs. V. Wessely. Strands of colorful flowers were shown, ranging from tiny miniatures to bushlike, a couple of inches in diameter to large size, wild life plant exhibits.







Beginning from door to door. The picture is not exaggerated. Not only the door opened along the door. They asked for one potato, one onion, a slice of sausage for anything that was edible. Vegetable and herbs, when were previously stored. However, when such very often. Corpses often stayed more than a week above the ground. There were no coffins. The burial centers had a few bottomless wooden boxes. The corpse was put on a cardboard bottom and over that the bottomless box was placed. On the average, death went into the grave, and when the relatives were given the bottomless box was taken out and used for the next death.

Langs de straat. Niet overdeven. Redden leken de deur om even denken niet alleen een mens. Men vroeg om een sandwich, een aardappeltort, om een stuk, om een stuk uit te halen, het was om alles wat eetbaar was. Gewoonlijk, om slagen, garnituren, gebak, konvassen, was het veel. Lucht stonden dikke laagjes die om werk. Het was de laatste dagen van de oorlog. De laatste onderzeken hebben enige kisten voor bodem. Het luk niet dat om een menselijke kisten bodem, want de deur voor hen werd de bodemloze had gebruikt. Op de begravenplaats veranderde alles in het graf en als de familie vertrokken was, werd de bodemloze kist er uit gehaald en gebruikt voor de volgende kist.

The van breaks (breaks). When the need was at its peak, Sweden sent goods for West-Netherlands: wheat, margarine, lard, ice and milk powder. At that time we suddenly got, in one week, a whole white bread, much better than the Dutch ones, and everyone got 125 grams of margarine, which to us tasted better than the best of crumbler. It is not possible to describe the joy that was in the home. Everything was free, many essential items were cheap. Before us, never had we liked anything better than a slice of that bread and that butter. For 10 weeks we had that Swedish food. During the first weeks a whole loaf, later on half a loaf. Thanks to Sweden!

De een brood (brood). Toen de nood het allerhoogst was, zond Zweden voor West-Nederlandse tarwe, margarine, boter, ijs en melkpoeder. Toen kreeg men ineens in een week heel een heel wit brood, veel lekkerder dan de finste cake of taart, en zelfs 125 gram margarine, waarbij, uitdrukking om, geen menscheit het hield hem. Het is onmogelijk de vreugde te beschrijven die er toen in huis herleefde. Alles was gratis. Menig familie was dankbaar om te eten krijgen! Nieuw van een leven hebben we onze heerlijkste periode als zo'n kleine brood met die hante! Gedurende 10 weken hebben we die Zweedse voeding gehad. De eerste weken een heel brood, later een half brood. Dank aan Zweden!



Death followed arrest for working on Underground papers. Many gave their lives. Velen werden voor de Ondergrondse gearrest. Bij arrestatie volgde de doodstraf. Velen gaven hun leven.

On the road: The city people went to the country to get food from the farmers. From Rotterdam they walked, or rode on pick-up trucks, to Groningen and Friesland. On the way they slept on farms (see p. 5). Of course it was not as easy as the picture shows, but one did see little groups go by everywhere through the snow, which was abundant this year. Buiten de stad en naar het land. De stadsvolk ging naar het platteland om voedsel te krijgen van de boeren. Van Rotterdam gingen zij te voet, of in pick-up trucks, naar Groningen en Friesland. Onderweg sliepen zij op boerderijen (zie p. 5). Natuurlijk was het niet zo gemakkelijk, maar toch zag men overal groepjes door de sneeuw, die wel jaar-over-heugde hadden, trekken. Gevoelbaar bleef men velen in de sneeuw, die wel jaar-over-heugde hadden, trekken. Buiten de stad en naar het land.



The swayer. The number of swayers was very great. These were the ones that had not answered to the call for military duty under the Germans, those designated to work in Germany, all the men between 16 and 40 years of age, who did not hold certain positions had to go to work in woods. The Underground movement provided ration cards and food for these unhappy ones.

De waaier. Het aantal waaier was enorm groot. Het waren een militair, die zich dienst aan militaire dien, met zwaar bakken, tewerkgesteld in Duitsland, die later onder in Duitsland gaan werken. Dit waren onderzeken zaten op allerlei plaatsen verspreid. Het heeft vaak in linnen in linnen. De Ondergrondse beweging zorgde voor bonnen en eten voor de waaier.

Raid: A group of Germans would surround a block and examine the houses from the roof to the cellar. Many times they would shoot while doing this, to frighten the people, even using machine guns at times. In the street also, people were stopped and transported to the "Great Fubersland". Women and children had to stay in during these raids. The picture represents a raid for laborers. A scene that any Dutchman may have witnessed various times.

Raid: Een stelletje mochten staan een blok binnen of en doorzochten deze woningen van hielder tot dak. Menigmalig werd het afwezigheid van de menschen zelfs met mitrailleurs. Ook op straat werden de mensen onder het oog van de "Grote Fubersland" gebracht. Vrouwen en kinderen mochten in die nacht's huizen blijven. Het plaat staat voor een raid met opspijderkningen. Een tafereel als door de plaats voorgesteld, heeft elke Nederlander meermalen gezien.



Salvaging wood from the bombed house. No comment needed. Hoopers all noodraft. Speekst voor sich zelf.

The emergency stove. They were very shifty, finally because you could hardly get them out and they really needed little fuel. They had some improvisations: the whole family had to help, they filled the room with music, one person had to stand and blow or fan regularly in the front. If the thing finally did get to burn, it sometimes happened that — one could get some potatoes done in about an hour. Of course, the music did not stop hereby, which is quite understandable. Everyone was busy and anxious. The children invented a riddle about this emergency stove: "What is the limit of dining? The answer is, asking Mother, 'at what time do we eat?'" when the emergency stove would not burn.

Het device van noodkachel. Deze ding-n brandde waterd tinnen, sin eerste omgaf die huus met 'aan te krupen.' Mier en die twede omgaf sin indertand weing ge madoelen. 't, de hok familie maekt er ook de sin zinnen, sin roukes meer: maai bidden dan doen de zinnen: georgel aspect of brandt voertigen om te blazen of wassen met valgoel-blik, broek of soets. Brandt het ding evenaal dan gelike het wat een bitton sen war wat aardappelen te koken. De ommenome te hant jong dinstop niet vouten, dit en wil begreepelike brandt werd kribbing en heing. De kinderen he-bachten zelf een raadsel, dinstop over. Wat is het topout van dinstop? Het antwoord dinstop dinstop. Aan Moeder vraget: 'at what time do we eat?' sin het noodkachel, sin wide brande.



The bachelor in wartime: Not only the bachelor but many others also had to use the stove with a flat disc behind it. It was a very common appearance. One had to cook on these stoves, because there was no gas or electricity.

De vropstal in oordacht: Niet alleen de vropstal, maar ook andere huizen de kachel met dinstop achter sin platte binn dinstop in de hokke staak. Dat was een gewone verschijning. Eiken mening de kachel, daar er geen gas of elektrisiteit was.

Night's lodging: People who went for food on their trips through the country. Remember that the winter was biting cold, the people starved, the resistance very low.

Nachtblyf: Eizkhalers onderweg op hun tochten, daar het land. Bedenk dat de winter het koud was, de menschen verarmde, de weerstand enorm gering.



Fairy tale, May 1945: The flying grocery. Hundreds of the Allies' planes brought food at the beginning of May for West-Netherlands during 16 days. Food was thrown over Amsterdam, Rotterdam and the Hague. That great night can never be forgotten and is just indelible. Het sprookje, 1945. „De vliegende broodmand“. Honderden geallieerde vliegtuigen brachten begin Mei, gedurende 16 dagen voedsel voor West-Nederland. Uitgeworpen werd te Amsterdam, Rotterdam en den Haag. Dit nachtelijke sprookje is onvergetelijk en niet te beschrijven.



So was Holland in its darkest hour. After the great fact of liberation, the artist can inject a small measure of grim humor into situations that were too desperate for humor at the time. On the first anniversary of liberation, Holland and the world hope such conditions may never exist again.





$$P + 2Q + \left[ \frac{3(Q+1)}{5} \right] + N + \left[ \frac{N}{4} \right] - n$$

Don't be alarmed. It looks deadly, like the makings for a quick-acting poison or a plan to blow up the Bank of England, but it is only a comparatively simple formula for determining what day of the week any given date might fall on. (Simple because that is only half of it — another formula works out the value of "little n", and two or three more steps in higher mathematics are required after the formula above gives a preliminary answer.) At least one man in Aruba can tell you by this formula whether you were born on a Wednesday or Saturday, but probably no one else within a thousand miles could.

Such mental gymnastics will be necessary with the Perpetual Calendar at right invented by Johan Lampe of Oranjestad, and taken over by Casey Emsan, former Lalgote. By setting all the dials to any date (day, month, year, and don't forget the century), and then adding up the small figures on each dial, this total can be put into the dial at upper left and gives the day of the week. As set in the picture, for instance, the calendar shows that Liberation Day in 1992 (May 5) will fall on a Sunday. (The calendar also reveals that 1992 is a Leap Year.)

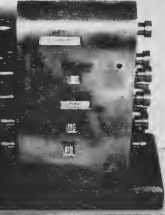
On one side of the eight-inch high machine are the settings for the old-style calendar (before 1753) and on the other side are those for the one now in use.

This first trial model, prepared to show to potential manufacturers in the United States, is a combination of bent cookie sheet, welding rods, condenser tubing, bits of clock spring, and 18 brass knobs controlling eight wheels, in all 160 parts, plus 100 sparetime hours of labor, skill, and ingenuity on the part of Phil Post of T.S.D., who made it in his back-yard shop.

The calendar, which you may some day be able to buy at the nearest jewelry or novelty store, will handle dates no further back than 45 B.C., which was the year the Julian calendar was adopted, and no further forward than 21,000 A.D. By that time the present type of calendar will be so far out of step with the seasons that calendars will have to be corrected, and this gadget will no longer serve. Until 21,000 A.D., however, should be perpetual enough for anyone.

The 47 new Essaville-type houses seen to be built by the Home Building Foundation (Fondo de Construcción) near the Sports Park (the P.V. 450,000) will look like the dwelling pictured below. The house shown is one of those being built by the Government for water-plant employees living at Spanish Lagunas. The H.B.F. houses will have similar lines but will be slightly larger.

E 47 casanan porfirnan na casnan di Essaville cu Home Building Foundation (Fondo de Construcción) ta traha pa construi riba un terreno habri na Sports Park. E casanan ta uno di esnan cu Gobierno ta construi pa empleadonan di planta di agua na Spanish Lagunas. E casanan di H.B.F. ta hiba un forma y tambe un modelo, pero algun ta mas grandi.



This makes the formula unnecessary.

### Un Calendario Straño

E aparato aki ta parece mesha complicá, pero e ta un machine basta simple pa determiná riba cua dia di siman cualquier fecha lo caí. E "kalender Perpetuo" aki ta invención di Johan Lampe di Oranjestad y Casey Emsan, ex-complegado di Lago, a tumé over di djé. Riba e portret aki riba nos ta mira e kalender ta muestra cu Dia di Liberación (5 di Mai) na anja 1992 lo cai riba un Dinsdomingo. E kalender ta muestra tambe cu anja 1992 lo ta schrikkeljaar.)

Na un banda di e machine di 8 düim di altura bo por traha cu fechanan di e kalender bieuw di promé cu anja 1753 y e otro banda ta pa fechanan di e kalender cu ta na uso actual. E modelo di prueba aki ta prepará pa oferta na fabricantenan potente di Mérida; e ta traha di 160 diferente pieza y e l tuma 100 hora di trabao y destresa di parti di Phil Post di T.S.D., cu a trahé den un tayer cu e tin den su curá.

E Kalender aki cu podrís algun dia bo por compra den cualquier joyeria ta traha cu fechanan p'atras te na 45 Promé cu Cristo, e anja cu Kalender Julian a worde adaptá, y e ta yega te na anja 21,000.

E a tempo ey e kalender lo ta tentamentamente rubia pa via di e diferencia cu tin entre kalendernan y estacionnan di anja y e ora ey e kalender lo meter worde corregi. Pero di awor te anja 21,000 ta suficiente pa nos por yamá perpetuo.

### MINUTE BIOGRAPHY

The early days of the Lago refinery and Lake fleet are well known to Jean Emsen. Juan worked in the fleet almost from its beginning in 1924. In March, 1925, he arrived in Aruba and was hired as Third Mate on the S. S. Bacoel. It was the beginning of a long career with Lago.

Born in Bonaire 53 years ago, Juan went to sea when he was thirteen years



Juan Emsen of Maricao Wharves poses with a background of ships, which have been his "life work."

old. One of his first trips as a budding young seaman was on a three-masted schooner carrying railroad ties from Savannah, Georgia, to New York. In 1915 Juan joined an American steamer, the Guamo which was trading between New York and Porto Rico.

After a short time ashore in 1916 working in a drydock and going to school, he joined a Standard Oil ship, the Standard, which took him to Mexico, where he says they loaded by lifting a hose out of the sea and pumping the oil into the ship.

In 1920 Juan found himself ashore again and in navigation school at that. After six months he was the proud possessor of a Third Mate's certificate. With this under his belt he joined the Grace Line until 1924 when he came home to Bonaire for a visit.

In January, 1925, he went to Curacao

Employee representatives of the Standard Americanische Petroleum Compagnie N. V. of the Hague, Netherlands, met the task of 72 acres of retail clothing donated by employees of the Standard Oil Company (New Jersey) and its American affiliates. On August 14, 1945, Eugene Holman, Jersey resident, and employees of American companies in Aruba donated clothing to 24,000 needy men, women and children of employe families in war-torn Europe. The company drive culminated in an inventory of 16,000 pounds of clothing which was collected at the Eagle Oil Refinery at Jersey City, N. J. From there it was shipped to France, Holland, Belgium, Norway, and Finland. Beneficiary of hundreds of suits, coats, workshirts, sweaters, shoes and shirts, part of which is shown above, helped gratefully to alleviate the shortage suffered by destitute foreign company personnel who, displaced persons, were not eligible for UNRRA clothing contributions.



The camera records the taking of 100 young new members into the Lago Community Church April 14. Forty-six were added to the Children's Roll, 35 to the Junior Roll and 27 to the Youth Roll. In the center, back to camera, Rev. P. J. Dawe, Mrs. J. Cahill, and Fred Estee are getting out certificates.

### DEATHS

A recent death was that of Patrick McMorris, who had worked in the New York office of S. O. Co. (N.J.) for 17 years. Mr. McMorris, who was a brother of Joseph Morris of the Storehouse, went to the United States from St. Vincent when he was 15, and completed his education in New York schools. He was prominent in cricket circles there and in various Harlem community affairs.

to find a job and met a Curaçao pilot who told him that there was a job for him in Aruba. Juan came to Aruba and became the Third Mate of the Bacoel and "traded" between Maricao and Aruba", as he puts it. He then became Third Mate on the Palmer and after a short time was assigned to shore duty where he worked under Ralph Watson splining wires used to discharge the steel plates which went to build the oil tanks. These tanks were the first in San Nicolas.

Back at sea after his wire work was finished, Juan was made Second Mate of the Invercorrie and later of the Inverosa.

After another stint on shore working for Captain Rodiger building a separator in 1928, he went to work on the pile driver in the channel. It was there that an accident cost him his hand. Three months in the hospital and he was back on the job, building a house where No. 1 Laboratory now stands.

Juan was a witness to the docking of the first ship to tie up to the newly completed main dock in November. Since then all of Juan's service with the Company has been in Marine Wharves, where he started in December, 1927.



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## T.S.D. Man is First to Return in Skymaster From Holland

The distinction of being the first Lagotto to return from Holland in a Douglas Skymaster fell last month to Paul Gordijn of T.S.D. A little under three days of flying was all it took and Paul said it was a much smoother ride in the giant plane than in the smaller ones that he has flown in. Compared with the three week tanker voyage, three days seems like a phenomenally short time.

The long plane trip back to Aruba was a little monotonous and the heat in Natal, Africa was oppressive, but he was assured by the local Shell Oil Co. representative that it was still comparatively cool there.

Afterwards when he visited his family for two months, it was a district of Holland, which was not as badly damaged as other parts farther to the south. The Dutch Government is doing its utmost to remedy the food shortage and has given this top priority.

The roads are improved but the traffic difficulty now is that there are too numerous in Holland.

The building of these, destroyed during the war, will take a long time. It is expected that the restoration of the country to a semblance of its former condition will take at least ten years, and there are some things that can never be replaced.

Na Maari Señora Margaret B. Lunn a cumplí 100 añi. Senorita Lunn ta tantsa-direpiti di Lunn Estant di Marine Departmental di un laha mas parti na Yorkaire, pero awo e ta bini na Gloucestershire (Inglaterra). Entre e cantidad di felicitaciones cu a ricibi ta habin un telegram di Rey y la Reina di Inglaterra.

Un otro dama cu a alcanzá un siglo di existencia ta Sra. Sarah Holder, tantsa-respet di C. B. Lowe, tambe di Marine Departmental. Sra. Holder ta orgyoso di su RF Boreana, 24 milo y 22 bisanietan y un lataratorio. Sra. Holder ta combiná y laba pa su famia.

The Aruba Esso News regrets that the continuing shortage of paper available in the United States necessitates the use of bond paper instead of the grade formerly used. This will create needless printing difficulties, chief among them, the greater quantity. It is hoped that the situation will be temporary.

## Scouts Observe St. George's Day

Celebrations were in order for the Boy Scouts of Aruba April 23 and 25 when the Scouts of Oranjestad, Sabana, and San Nicolas held parades, shows, and attended church services.

Starting on St. George's Day, April 23, which is National Scout Day, the boys heard mass at 6 a.m., then paraded through the streets of San Nicolas under the auspices of District Leader Robert Martin of M. & C. After the parade they rested at the Cecilia theater where the District Leader made a short speech, the Scouts' universal song was sung, and refreshments were served. The rest of the day was taken up in the visiting of various homes and performing good turns.

In the Cecilia Theater, April 25, the "Third Sea Scouts' Group" gave a concert for the benefit of the "Holland Relief Fund" and also toward the erection of a Scout House. Reverend Thomas of the San Nicolas Methodist Church was chairman and the president of the Anglican priory, St. Nicholas, was the guest of honor. The plays presented included "The Three Musketeers" and "The Seven Ages of Man".

## Snake Sits on Seat, Seares Sitter

To show some visiting mechanical department officials that Aruba really has snakes, an 18-inch specimen was caught in the Colon at two weeks ago, and corked up in a bottle still alive. On Saturday afternoon the bottle was placed on H. C. Chiquenda's desk at the M. & C. Office, for the visitors to see Monday morning.

The snake, however, had other ideas. Some time over the weekend he boosted out the cork, alighted off the desk, and began a tour of the empty offices. By Monday morning he had picked out a chair in the conference room as about as good a place as any to be (there's no figuring out a snake's mind) and it was a startled Tom Malcolm who tried to occupy the same chair that morning.



## New Safety Flags to Illustrate Group Records

A trio of large flags displaying the universal safety flag will be raised at the two week anniversary of the great Saturday morning, May 23, which related the progress of the Esso Transportation Company. One set of these is located between the Main Gate and the Camerichery the other set at the Esso Station. The flagbearers will be Mr. Woodward for the Marine Department, Mr. C. Miller for M. & C. and J. D. Lykins for Process. The flags will be flying on the departures' embankment in this part of the world for nearly 20 years.



Banderaan di Seguridad Pa Gruponan Departamental

## Lago Shipping Name Changed to Esso Transportation Company

In a cable received here April 12 it was announced that the Lago Shipping Company Ltd., which operates a portion of the Lake Fleet plying between Aruba and Maracaibo, has been re-named the "Esso Transportation Company Ltd." The change eliminates a name which was in vogue in this part of the world for nearly 20 years.

The Lago Shipping Company, which had been owned entirely by the Lago Oil & Transport Company, was sold to the parent company, S. O. Co. (N.J.). Using the same corporate structure, the name was then changed to Esso Transportation Company Ltd., a 100 per cent owned subsidiary of S. O. Co. (N. J.), with offices in London.

In addition to the Lake fleet, the company will own all ocean tankers that are not under the United States flag, and its ships will be chartered to various subsidiaries (some to Panama Transport Company, some to L. O. & C. Co. for the Lake service, etc.). An exception in the group of Lake tankers owned by Creole for use in Venezuelan trade, which will continue to be owned by that company.

Essentially, the change in corporate structure will have no effect on the operational procedures of the former Lago Shipping Company vessels, nor on the officers and men of the ships.

Un trio di bandera cu e simbolo universal di Seguridad ta wordo hiba na dos lugar den Pianta Dia Sabra mañá, 25 di Mei, pa muestra progreso di tratamento sin accidente den Departamento di Marine, Mechanical y Process. Un set di banderanan ta bini na Main Gate Office, y otro pariba di Jaw Office.

Un trio di bandera lo ta J. W. Woodward for Marine Department, W. R. C. Miller for M. & C. y J. D. Lykins pa Process. E banderanan lo bini tamen cu emplesadonan di e departamentonan traha sin accidente; riba e dia despues cu tabatin accidente den un di e gruponan departamental aki, 4 bandera di es grupo lo sed aniba pa 24 hora.

Na e palanan di bandera tin borché pa muestra e cantidad di dianan cu cada grupo a traha sin accidente cu periodo di tempo. Riba e portret aki riba, Director di Seguridad Gordon Owen y Bernardina Stoterdijk tin inspecció un di e banderanan.

## Receiving & Shipping Move Shifts Polic and Watson

In a rearrangement of duties in the Receiving & Shipping Division effective May 1, Elza Polick was made process foreman in charge of all shore operations involving the operation and



maintenance of tankage, pipelines, and pumphouses. At the same time Ralph Watson, process foreman, took over all dock and shipping activities of the Division, including the wharfing group.

Mr. Polick came to Aruba from the Mexican Petroleum Co. of Louisiana in December 1928 as a master mechanic. He was transferred to R. & S. in April, 1945.

Mr. Watson first came to Aruba in 1924 for the Lago Shipping Co. He was transferred to R. & S. as a chief gauger in 1925.

## A Statement of Principles

It is clear that two faiths are meeting in conflict all over the world today—our home as well as abroad a belief in an expanding freedom and responsibility for the individual versus a belief in an expanding authority of the state, even though the result may be a contracting freedom for the individual.

It is such a world Standard Oil Company (New Jersey) is on the side of human freedom as a former believer that company also became it believes that the prosperity of all Jersey companies is directly related to the freedom of the individual.

Standard Oil Company (New Jersey) does not believe in economic blocs and monopolies. It never believed that company the important reason which drove new, foreign, oil companies to more people under a system where the customer is free to choose among the various companies their greatest benefit.

The prosperity of any nation is closely related to the freedom which the people of that nation enjoy. It is not only the individual but the nation as a whole that is the beneficiary of the willingness to take risks which are characteristics of vigorous production—and it is always the strongest producing people and nations who are the beneficiaries of the world's progress.

The strength of any nation, like the strength of any company, is in its people. High standards of living, like high wages, are a product of enterprise—and enterprise grows best in a soil of freedom for the individual.

The Company believes that enterprise on world trade and foreign exchange which sets nations off from supply—especially those supplies which are the basis of economic independence—are among the important reasons which drove new, foreign, oil companies to nations and toward new Jersey is on the side of, unreserved, open trade, unreserved, unreserved, in so far as it is able to give more information to the public.

It is the future, as in the past, the Company will not its chief reason for growth and prosperity in the world is the freedom of the individual. Jersey feels that its strength is in its people. The Jersey form of democracy, which is the strength of the world, is the high character and ability of its people. The Jersey form of democracy, which is the strength of the world, is the high character and ability of its people. The Jersey form of democracy, which is the strength of the world, is the high character and ability of its people.

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## THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

## L. H. Advisory Committee Plans Whitman Athletic Program

The annual sports meet sponsored by the Lago Heights Advisory Committee will take place June 10 (Whitman Day) at the Lago Heights Sport Field. The meet will be run much as in the past with the cross-country race starting at nine o'clock and the rest of the events beginning at noon.

Plans are to have 21 events including most of the usual track and field events plus a number of novelties such as the egg-and-spoon race, the sack race, the 3-legged race and others. An unusual feature this year will be a bun race. The idea of the bun race is that the contestant must run 50 yards to a point where a bun is suspended just at head height by means of a string from a horizontal bar, eat the bun with his hands tied behind his back, then return to the starting line. Another interesting event will be the annual tug-of-war between

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# ARUBA ESSO NEWS

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To raise a flag is sometimes a symbol of victory. The raising of a safety flag is the symbol of victory over carelessness and inattention while at work in the refinery. However, no flag can cause accidents to cease, nor put an end to carelessness and inattention.

The flags raised Saturday (see page 1) will serve the Process, Mechanical, and Marine Departments as indicators of their success in achieving a good safety record.

When a department's flag is not flying it means that on the day preceding the flagless one an accident occurred. But if the flag stays aloft it is an indication that care is being taken to avoid accidents, and that the men in the department concerned are working safely.

A few examples of why it pays to work safely:

A machinist helper in the Control Tool Room was antagonizing the shaft of several chain blocks stacked together on the floor, when some foreign substance, possibly a piece of rust scale, flew into his right eye. He rubbed the eye but as this only caused the pain to become more severe, he reported the incident to the foreman who sent him to the Dispensary. The eye was badly lacerated by the scale and the man was admitted to the Hospital.

Foreign particles will continue to fly into people's eyes. Do not rub the eye. You will only make it worse. Go immediately to the doctor to have the particle removed.

Cos lo sigul handa den wewo occasionalmente. Nunca fruga wewo, esey solamente ta haci'e poor. Bai mediatamente na dokter pa saca e cos fo' den e wewo.



Un ayudante di machinista den Control Tool Room tabata antagonisando e ecran di varios blochi di cadena cu tabata den un monton ariba e piso. Algun sustancia stranhero, posiblemente un pedacito di escoria, bayo den su ojo drecha. El fruga e ojo pero esey ta haci'e dolor pa' e y e a bati'e mas fuerte. El reporta e caso na su foreman. El manda tabata hepl' lacerado cu y e homber mester a worda bini na Hospital.

Cost pipe about 24 feet long. On a scissor bar, were lying three or four 4" x 4" blocks on the ground. In trying to move one block, the plaintiff helped put his foot between two pipes and caused it to slip off the work bench. The falling pipe headed as he fell, cutting a fracture of a bone in the foot.

Yaha di cost di 24 pie largu, ta' den un scissor bar, tabata duru cu abao 'vira' den bancha di 4" x 4". Intentando di move un di e blochi, e des ayudante di machinista a blesca su pierna mientrast di den bancha cu e otro. El cay den e bancha y el bati'e cu el cost un ayudante aruba na e pie. Hiba un wewo den e pia.

The men should have chocked the pipe to keep it from rolling back.

E hombernan mester a cuña e tubo pa evit'e di lora patras.

## Departmental Reporters

(Each indicates that reporter has turned in a tip for this issue)

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|--------------------|--------------------------|
| Henry Samuel       | Hospital                 |
| Samuel             | Storehouse               |
| Geoff              | Electrical               |
| Robert Oliviero    | Instrument               |
| Leonard            | Electrical               |
| Harvey Hrochfeld   | Marine                   |
| John James         | Office                   |
| Erville Anderson   | Reading & Director       |
| John               | Asst. & Scales           |
| Sam Vignora        | Office                   |
| Fernando de Sibbo  | Process                  |
| Bertie Vignora     | C.T.E. & Field Office    |
| Regis de Vries     | T.S.D. Offices           |
| Joe Jay Smita      | Accounting               |
| Indre de Kort      | Freighthouse 1 & 2       |
| Henry Hase         | Freighthouse 1 & 2       |
| Harold Walkey      | Lab.                     |
| John W. A. Lagro   | Lab.                     |
| Erica Muehlberg    | Lab.                     |
| Erica Crolland     | Hydro-Alloy              |
| Alvin Teare        | Gas & Poly Plastic       |
| Edna               | Caracote & Paint         |
| Fredrick Pascoe    | Masses & Invention       |
| Edward             | Caracote & Paint         |
| John Casper        | Marine Shop              |
| Marion             | Blacksmith, Scales & Tin |
| Joe Ocker          | Welding                  |
| John Fritzsche     | Galley                   |
| Jose La Cruz       | Plant Compressor         |
| Vankin Vandenberg  | Leadery                  |
| Yvonne Van Stratum | Galley Service Office    |
| Robert Bakh        | Galley                   |
| Robert Kuyt        | Garage                   |
| Harold Jones       | Personnel                |
| Edward Huchtema    | Sports                   |

# ESSO - NEWS

Robert P. Russell, president of Standard Oil Development Company, received the 1946 gold medal of the American Institute of Chemists this month, in recognition of work carried out on under him in the fields of fluid catalytic cracking, toluene and butadiene degradation, smoke generators, incendiary bombs, and flame throwers.

On May 8 he also accepted the medal of merit from a general in the Chemical Warfare Service, for his activities in defense research and as an advisor to the Service. Mr. Russell visited theaters of action by action three times during the war to get first-hand information on the results of his work.

In an exchange of cables with Mr. Russell, L. G. Smith extended Lago's congratulations on the honors.

Thomas W. Palmer, counsel and head of the Latin-American legal staff of Standard Oil

Company (N.J.), has been elected president of the Pan-American Society, the United States Inc., a group organized in 1912 to promote better understanding and friendly relations among the Americas.

He has been associated with the Jersey Standard for 25 years and is a former president of the Venezuelan Chamber of Commerce of the United States.

Mr. Palmer, who has lived in South America many years, brings to this important new post a long experience in Latin-American affairs and extensive knowledge of the Spanish language. Among his writings in the field of law is "The Legal Literature of Curacao".

Suspended for nearly a year pending further seismograph and geologic study, drilling operations in the Dominican Republic were resumed last week by Dominican Seaboard Oil Company. Dominican, first to conduct seismograph surveys in that country, is the only company drilling in the area.

## CARNIVAL From page 1

the bachelors and the married men, which has always brought intense rivalry.

The program is designed to provide amusement for all, with races for young and old men and women.

The committee consist of A. Teixeira, L. H. Bruce, P. C. Branch, E. Tullock, J. W. Arrias and H. de Vries, and will be assisted by a 30 man sub-committee.

## KEEP 'EM FLYING

### Backus New Comm. Supervisor

Announced as effective May 1, was the appointment of Harry Backus as "general supervisor commissaries", Heads of the Wholesale Commissary, and Plant Retail and Colony Retail Commissaries will report to the general supervisor, who reports to J. J. Abdis, superintendent of Sales Units in Colony Service.

Mr. Backus was first employed in April 1936, in the Accounting Department. He went on military leave in June 1942, and during the war years he was chief officer on a sub-branch. He returned to Aruba in January 1946.

## Magazine's Special Issue Is Dedicated to Aruba

The "Souvenir", a monthly review in Spanish published at Ciudad Trujillo by Jose Aldebot, was released here early this month with the entire issue devoted to Aruba. An attractively printed and illustrated magazine of 90 pages, it covers in photos and pictures practically all phases of Aruban life.

Lago's operations are well represented, with six pages that touch on Company history, summarize the refinery's war work, and illustrate such aspects as training programs, social and sports activities, and medical facilities.

The magazine is a broad digest of island life, covering schools, clubs, churches, outstanding citizens, many rural scenes, and a number of views of Princess Juliana's visit here.

The Company purchased a number of copies from the publisher for distribution as gifts to all committee representatives and Aruba Esso News reporters. Several bookstores in Oranjestad have copies for sale, and a limited supply has been on sale in the lobby of the Main Office building.

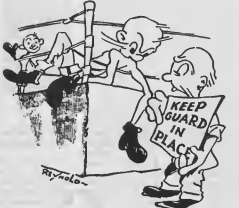
## Local Executives Elected to Board of Directors



In a shareholders meeting May 1, the five men above were elected to the Board of Directors of Lago Oil & Transport Company, Ltd. and it was announced that before meetings of the Board will be held in Aruba. Left to right are Dr. C. E. Lansing (vice-president of Lago with offices in New York), L. G. Smith, president of Lago and general manager, J. J. Herzog, assistant general manager, and T. C. Erwin, comptroller. In the last is G. Wilson, greenshoe representative, who is paid in the United States on a special traveling assignment.

### SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS

Semi-Monthly Payroll	Prompted by a cable that his mother had died, Claude Quashe, a pipo-fitter at the Drydock, left May 13 by plane for his home in St. Vincent. He plans to spend his long vacation there.
May 16—30	Sat. June 8
Monthly Payroll	Tues. June 11



Two still elements attempted to lead a 2 1/2" valve with 6000 lbs. pressure for water being used, a choke being used, by throwing it over the side of the truck instead of following the regular practice of removing one of the side railings. One of the men had his right leg flung caught between the valve wheel and the top edge of the railing, which caused the end of the finger to be cut off.

Keep close attention to work being done. Always follow established procedure.



Des still element a purto pesa cu valf di 2 1/2", cu capacidad di tabata den bancha, setha un brack cu bancha baho, den of tira e valf over di e bancha, cu vos di e valf a dal un bancha den e bancha mester a custionero. Miel di e bancha a dal un bancha contra bancha setha di e bancha; lo que a causa parte di e bancha corti etc.

# AROUND THE PLANT

# LONG SERVICE AWARDS

April, 1946

## 20-Year Buttons



Felipe Witterford started to work for the Company in 1925. He was put on the machine department payroll in 1928. He now works in Marine Wharves as a wharfinger.

Daniel Werleman came to work for the Company in 1925 and was put on the Labor Department payroll in 1928. He, present title is Corporal B.

Afonso Coes was hired by Lago in 1925 and was put on the Labor Dept. payroll in 1928. He is present title is an assessor.

W. M. Miller came to Aruba from the Broytons in 1928 and started on a first class helper in 1929. He is present title is an assessor.

The Methodist Church in San Nicolas was the scene April 20 of the wedding of James De Albert Steele of the Dining Hall and Miriam Adina Finch. James' fellow employees supported him nobly, acting as the choir in the church during the ceremony and presenting him with a costly china tea set before hand. A reception was held in San Nicolas. The couple will live in Savaneta.

Esta Leonard, daughter of Tom of L.O.F. and recently a stenographer in the Executive office, was married May 4 at Greensboro, N. C. to Lt. Robert Draper, former Navy supply officer here. Mr. Draper is out of the service now, and the couple will make their home in Toledo, Ohio, where he will take up his former job as an auditor.



When the Home and Health Club of Lago Heights set out a Liberation Day to sell Netherlands Relief Fund Stamps, these eleven mothers and daughters of members did the selling. In the back row from left to right, Isabel MacDonald, Janitienne Brewster, Sophie in 4 Veld, Helma de Cuba, Wilma Harting, and the front row Mrs. K. van der Meer, Sonja Harting, Jony de Vries, Vesta MacDonald, and Yvonne Harting.

Home and Health Club of Lago Heights a handsome stampstamper van Multplede Nederland Dia of Liberation y 11 miembros y hijos de miembros and tabata a bendiccionario.



Luisa Hasselt of the M. & C. office is the recipient of the gift in the picture above. Luisa is married to F. L. Ysaacoff, well recently a member of the Industrial Relations Department here. The wedding took place May 17 in St. Barbara's Church in Brooklyn. The gift she is receiving is a gold pin, with Jeanne Ros making the presentation.

### DEATHS

Viola Canterbury of the Laundry, on April 30, at the age of 36. She was first employed from September 1, 1938 to February 15, 1939, and had continuous service since March 19, 1945. She was a participant in the Thrift Plan. She is survived by her husband, an employee at the Instrument Department.

A recent wedding was that of Andrew Diaz of Marine Wharves and Violet Gray of Stewards Service May 11 at the Church of St. Theresa in San Nicolas. A reception followed the wedding at Essoville 95 where the couple plans to live.

Oliver Christopher, pipefitter at the Drydock, started his long vacation last week with a good idea. Says he is just going to rest.

Paul Rach of the Pressure Stills, on May 5, at the age of 30. He had continuous service since December 1, 1941, and was a participant in the Thrift Plan. He is survived by his parents, two brothers, and a sister.

### New Sport Sheet Issued

Sparta, a year-old sports club with nearly 100 members, extended its facilities a step this month with issue number one of a publication designed to promote the club's activities. Done in mimeograph with six pages, the paper points out that it expects to grow and improve, reminding its readers that "no baby was ever born fully clothed".

The Sparta club, now strong in football and korfball, hopes to branch out into other sports before long.

Jacobo Koolman of the Masons and Insulators, on May 13, at the age of 61. He was employed May 18, 1933 and had continuous service since that time. He was a participant in the Thrift Plan. He is survived by his wife, three sons, and two daughters.

Marco Marchena of Marine Wharves, on May 15, at the age of 39. He was first employed from July 3, 1933 to November 23, 1943, and had continuous service since March 5, 1946. He is survived by his wife.



Shown at left is Edney Mackintosh of the Directorate, recently appointed as "Special" partner for the H.M.S. Long a member of various employee committees. He has been especially active in sports circles. He has served frequently with groups organizing and conducting tournaments, and has been helpful in promoting other sports news. At right is Harold Jones, recently appointed reporter for the Personnel Department.

Edward De Bresse of Oil Accounting, on May 16, at the age of 25. He was first employed on November 5, 1938 and had continuous service from that time. He was a Thrift Plan participant. He is survived by his parents and five sisters.

## 30-Year Button



Y. C. Brown came to Aruba from S. C. (Indiana) at writing as office manager in the Accounting Department in 1928. He is present title is company editor, and he has recently assisted in Lago's Board of Directors.

## Nine Teams in Two Leagues To Play for H.B.M. Cricket Cup

Cricket captains met at the Sport Park May 16 to make final arrangements for a cricket competition that will start Sunday, May 26. Playing for a cup presented by the British Council, the nine teams entered will be in two leagues, with a one-game playoff between the two leading teams at the end of the series.

St. Vincent, West Indian, Golden Arrow, Dominica, and Cambridge make up the Eastern League, while the Western League includes British Guiana, Grenada, Sport Park, and St. Eustatius. All games will be one-day matches, from 11 a.m. until 6 p.m., with games in each league scheduled on alternate Sundays. The series will open this weekend with St. Vincent meeting Grenada.

## 10-YEAR BUTTONS

- Oscar Lanyl Electrical Instrument
- Louis Crippen Power House
- Leopoldo Lavelet Power House
- Douglas Canaleter Pipe Carpenter
- Francisco Henriquez Press Stills
- Chan Monk Sang Press Stills
- Charles Leverock Gas Plant
- Isidro Lopez Rec. & Ship.
- Elmer Hassell Rec. & Ship.
- James Sagers Rec. & Ship.
- Willems Leijars Rec. & Ship.
- Juho Crona Acid Plant
- Carl York Dry Dock
- Pedro Maduro Marine Wharves
- Federico Wever T.S.D.
- John Wiley T.S.D.
- Soon Chang Stewards
- Harry Backus Colony Service
- Ernest Richardson Lago Police

In pre-tournament practise sessions, a Medical team captained by Eusebio man defeated T.S.D. (captain: K. Perrotte) by 171 to 159 for all. High scorers were Perrotte with 77, and B. Bennet with 65. Eight players were in the double-figure class. In a later match the Easterns downed the Westerns (Huckelman and Perrotte team captains) by 197 to 127. May 5 the Lago Stars beat the Lago Best 228 for 5 to 165 for all. Outstanding was Howe, who scored a century not out.

## Ocho Empleado di Lago Ta Invitá pa Hunga den Futbol Internacional na Curacao

Di dia 26 di Mei pa 17 di Juni lo tin un tournament di Futbol Internacional na Willemstad. Bao di iniciativa di Curacao Football Bond e competie lo ta entre un team directament di Holanda y varios teamnan di Aruba, Colombia, y Surinam. E compania ta bon representá cu ocho empleado den e team di Aruba riba hunga.

## Eight Lagoites Invited To Play International Football in Curacao

Featured by a team direct from Holland, and with other visiting teams from Aruba, Colombia and from Surinam, an international football tournament sponsored by the Curacao Football Bond is scheduled at Willemstad May 26 to June 17. With eight men from refinery invited to play with the Aruba stars, Lago will be well represented on the field.

The competition will be a round robin, with Aruba scheduled to play in the opening game against Curacao this Sunday, and they appear against Holland June 1, Surinam June 5, and Colombia June 10.

As this issue goes to press, no information has been received on the trophies that will be at stake.

Among the Lago experts that have received invitations to represent Aruba are Gregorio Franken, Frans Kalkboom, and Mirto Laclé, all of Instrument. Francisco Romero of Powerhouse, Damian Tromp of T. S.D., Angel Chirino of the Acid Plant, Raymond Kemp of Machinist, and Hans Nahar of L.O.F.

## SCORES

Korfbal Tournament	
May 4	
Kerzas	2
Falcon	1
May 11	
Victoria	2
Falcon	0

# NEWS and VIEWS

Two little girls, on their way to Mollard didn't have to be asked to grip the umbrellas over ready-made legs. Their parents to take off in the first legs contingent to the Anniversary by K.L.M. on the left is Mrs. Kester, and at right then Pearson.



These members of the Sea Pilot Training Course have just received their diplomas after undergoing training in all the phases of Sea Pilot operations. The units studied were the High and Low water units, the Propose and Release plan, GAB and the Oil Absorption. The course covered 118 hours of training and was started in November of 1943. Standing are: G. Lopez and C.J. Yabo, Sea Pilot supervisors, August Roper, H. C. Cramer (supervisor), Jack Alexander, Frank Van Ezel, Pierre Meigs, Guillermo Kemperven, Paulo Koch, Donald John, Lucille Suarez, Andrew Lamba and A. G. Merino (Instructor). C. Koning are Raymond Woffman, Peter Gonsalves, Alvin Teaster, Jose Hernandez, Jose Incha, Robert Curtis, Hugh Stoutart and Freddie Johnson. Also receiving diplomas but not in the picture were Jim Esmold, Robert Payer, Wico Engbrecht. Some men were transferred from the Department before the ceremony, but received diplomas as they had completed the greater part of the course. They are M. Jansen, H. Martinus, G. Gonsalves, F. Pingul, H. Brandon, P. Heides and G. St. Hillaire.



Shown here receiving an explanation of the operation of the controls of a DC-4 is Aruba's Lieutenant Governor, Dr. L. C. Kwartus. The picture was taken when the large plane stopped here May 9. The inset at lower left shows how the pilot starts and why the 12 postage stamps next to it had won the airport landing.

Rita a portret was to missa Gonsalvesher of Aruba Sr. L. C. Kwartus to tanda explicacion di e controlacion di un di e aeroplano DC-4 di 40 pasahero. E portret a worda taha ora e di Malera cu e aeroplano gradua na pasad. Me tambe rabai uban sea 12 mita con selamento a aeroplano di 12 pasahero, me tambe a edifica di aeroplano ta baha ministerio banda di e DC-4.



## NEW ARRIVALS

A son, Basil Newton, to Mr. and Mrs. Helen Ferris, April 16.  
A daughter, Nina Apollonia, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Barnes, April 17.  
A son, Wayne Larry, to Mr. and Mrs. William Purdie, April 17.  
A son, Humbert Arnold, to Mr. and Mrs. Faura Daniels, April 18.  
A son, Henry Edward, to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Marshall, April 21.  
A son, Leoncio Fontana, to Mr. and Mrs. Alfonso Nicolas, April 21.  
A daughter, Elnora Alberta, to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Barend, April 21.  
A daughter, Rosa Herwilda, to Mr. and Mrs. Jose Parra, April 22.  
A son, George Allen, to Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, April 24.  
A son, M. Gonsalves, to Mr. and Mrs. Freddy Jackson, April 28.  
A daughter, Maria Rieks to Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Amon, April 28.  
A son, Paul Edward, to Mr. and Mrs. John Lubbecht, May 1.  
A daughter, Corning Marie, to Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Collins, May 1.  
A daughter, Lucille Elsie, to Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Scholburg, May 1.  
A daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Geerman, May 2.  
A son, Marin Jasser, to Mr. and Mrs. Servacio Lacle, May 3.  
A son, to Mr. and Mrs. Jose Dirks, May 3.  
A daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. Christian Oosthuizen, May 3.  
A daughter, Mary Ann, to Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Lopez, May 3.  
A son, Leonard Arnold, to Mr. and Mrs. Elsie Oosthuizen, May 3.  
A daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. Marcela Maduro, May 3.  
A daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. Fabiano Kell, May 3.  
A son, to Mr. and Mrs. Zachariah Jeffrey, May 3.



Shown above are Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Cordar, visitors early this month. Mr. Cordar is managing director of the Anglo-American Oil Company, a cable office in London. An brief company they purchase large quantities of logs products. He was an interested observer of refinery.



There are many different ways of spending a child's 18 hours of Light Airs. Finishing seems to have found out of the best. Here we see a Patsy Winckel, left, and Emory West, at right. The picture was taken by John de Silvo of the Presses Stillie.

## Edición de revista "Souvenir" Especialmente Dedicada en Aruba

"Souvenir", un revista mensual na Spaño, publicá na Ciudad Trujillo pa Jose Aledo, a sail na principio di luna yea edición ta henteramente dedicá na Aruba. Un revista di 90 paginas masha bonita impremá y ilustrá, ta contene den palabra- y protretan tur fase di vida Arubana.

Lago ta masha bon representá, cu seis paginas locante historia di Compania, trabao di refineria durante guerra y Bustraccionan mostrando aspectonan di programa di entrenamiento, actividadnan socia y deportivo y facilidanan medico.

E revista ta un condensación di bida di isla, cu school, club, misanan, habitacionan sobresaliente, hopi histanan, y algun portret di habitada di Princes Juliana.

Compania a cumpru algun copia pa parti como regalo na tur representante di Comité y na rotoperanan di Aruba Easo News. Varios pacus na Oranjestad tabatin na bende y un cantidad limita tabata na bende na entrada di Main Ofis.

## Marine Relatives Pass Century

It seems that the Marine Department has a corner on the century-old relative market these days. Congratulations were extended to Miss Margaret B. Lunn in March. Miss Lunn is the greatest of Lann Eason of the Marine Department. She spent most of her life in Yorkshire but is now living in Gloucestershire. Among the congratulatory messages was a telegram from the King and Queen of England.

Another more-than-century-old lady is Mrs. Sarah Holder, great-aunt of C. B. Lowe, also of the Marine Department. Mrs. Holder boasts of 17 children, 24 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild Mrs. Holder cooks and washes for the family.



Two exhibits of art were offered the public this month, one in Curacao and one in Aruba. At the Sociedad Bolivariana's building near Oranjestad, a travelling salon of fine photographs, brought to the territory through the efforts of Curacao's C. W. Scholburg, was on display for a week. And at Curacao's new "Culture Centrum", Bettina Steinke (non-professional name, Mrs. Don Blair) held a five-day exhibit of her watercolor and charcoal drawings.

## Colebra A Ocupá Lugar den Kamber di Conferencia

Pa muestra algun oficialidad di Mechanical Department cu tabata di bishita cu Aruba realmente tin colebra, nan a cohe un di e bestanjan ey di 18' daim di largura den Colony dos siman pasá y nan a pone bibo den un botter. Dia Sabra merda nan a pone e botter riba escritorio di H. C. Chippendale na oficina di M. & C., pa e bishitanan miré Dia Luna cambio. Pero, en cambio, e colebra mes tabatin otro idea. Durante weekend, el a pusha e cork, slip baba di e escritorio y el a cuminsa keiru den e oficinanan bashi.

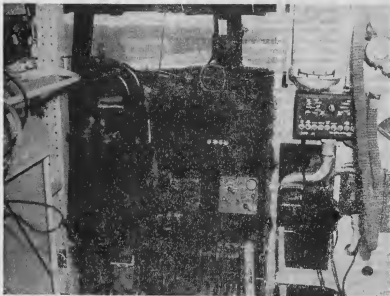
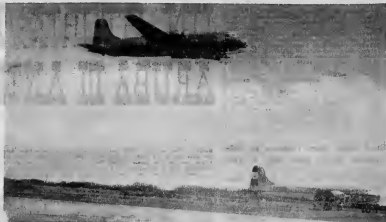
Dia Luna mainta el a scoge un stool den kamber di conferencia pa e sosogá di su pasco y Tom Malcolm a hibe un spantú di berde ora cu el a bai ocupá e mes un stool e dia mainta ey.

Empleadonan di Laundry a regalá un kran di flor y un suma di placa na mama di Viola Canterbury, cu a muri dia 30 di April.

Laundry employees recently presented a floral wreath and a cash gift to the mother of Viola Canterbury. Mrs. Canterbury died April 30.



OFF TO  
AMSTERDAM



When the K.L.M.'s big 46-passenger DC-4 took off for Amsterdam April 20, aboard were five Legats families, some making their first trip home in as much as eight years. No. 1 shows those taking off on the first leg of the trip to Natal, Brazil. (A second DC-4 just arrived from New York in only one and a half hours, in on the ground). No. 2: Bart Geering is ready to go. No. 3: the Geering family weighs in at 2:30 a.m., with the usual air-travel incomparisons of baggage checks, scales, and pre-depart coffee. No. 4 shows a few of the literally hundreds of instruments that control the huge ship. No. 5 shows the group just before departure. Left to right are the Frans Maduga, the Jan Koster, Mrs. J. Coels, the Cornelia Peeren, Johannes Coels, the Aulus Geering, and at far right Dan Zilke of the Personnel Department, who handled most arrangements for the trip from Lage's end. No. 6: the Kesters, prepared to "See Voyages" with a view.

Ora ce e seceptiun di K.L.M. DC-4 di 46 pasageru a sull pa Amsterdam dia 20 di April laetala cincu famia di Lage aheral entrees tabatin famia cu tin echo uale sin halta nas patria. Partret No. 1 la nuntre non suldu pu e arret clip, Natal su Brazil. No. 2 Bart Geering la clip pu sul. No. 3 Famia Geering la repartit 2:30 di mardugu, cu tur requisitum di viahe pu arret. No. 4 la mustru algun di e clip instrumentum cu la controlu e supertice grunditima. No. 5 la mustru e grupu pami cu suldu; di drachi pu arret famia Maduga, Koster, Peeren, Coels y Geering y na banda dretchi Dan Zilke di Personal Department cu u hui tur arangiu pu e viahe. No. 6 Kester la duna cu ultra suldu.









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"This is a hell of a way to die," said General Patton, as they lifted him into the ambulance.

Put these down as words to be remembered. Remember them as words that speak the bitter tragedy and the utter irony of accidents. Maybe we should put the words on the highway billboards, or paste them on dashboards near the speedometers or on rear license plates. Better still, pin them in your hat close to your driving sense: "A hell of a way to die."

Tough words of a tough man—a man feared by the whole Nazi army. A man who had known the stark danger of war, danger that is continuous and terrible even with precaution and preparedness. A man who had seen the bloody violence that is necessary once a war is on, a man who was himself brave and showed and appreciated a life.

But General Patton died—a few days before Christmas, 1945—as the result of an ordinary traffic collision between a truck and the car in which he was riding on a game hunting trip. Just a peacetime automobile accident. The kind that happens every day on our streets and highways "over here". The kind that may happen just as suddenly, just as violently, just as shockingly, just as tragically, though perhaps not as dramatically, to someone you know. It was what some people call just one of those things.

The charges for General Patton have already been spoken and written. But, whatever else is remembered about him and his accomplishments, remember those prophetic words which, without pointing the accusing finger at anyone in particular, do forcefully and convincingly state the whole case against accidents.

Even in his last battle—for his life—hard-fighting General Patton charged forward against an enemy of mankind that is still to be conquered.

For the fight against a way to die, as well as all types of accidents, the General gave us a battle cry: "This is a hell of a way to die."

## Process, M. & C. Announce Shifts

Two departments in the refinery announced changes in their organizational set-ups during the last week in May. Among the shifts in the M. & C. Division of the Mechanical Department was the moving of J. F. Malcolm from assistant general foreman of the Storehouses to the new position of technical coordinator where he will supervise and coordinate all M. & C. technical coordinators and the M. & C. office force. From M. & C. zone supervisor, W. L. Sticht has been shifted to the new position of craft coordinator and he will supervise and coordinate all the crafts with the exception of the Storehouses. Zone supervisor, L. C. Miller is now zone coordinator in which position he will supervise and coordinate the zone supervisors. All these men will report to the assistant division head.

T. V. Malcolm, now assistant zone supervisor, will take over the duties of supervisor in Zone 3 replacing L. C. Miller. In the Storehouse, W. H. Hartig, general supervisor, will assume the duties of assistant general foreman. J. R. Proffers and C. C. Waddell moved from technical assistants 'A' to assistant zone supervisors.

In the Cracking Plant Division of the Process Department, D. E. Johnson has been appointed process foreman.

Effective June 1, H. Hartwick was advanced from assistant general foreman of Carpenter & Painting to general foreman of the Colony Maintenance Department. J. Pakoetz advances to Mr. Hartwick's former position, and F. Leutenhausen becomes assistant general foreman of Colony Maintenance.



In tribute to American and Allied war dead, a squad of Dutch soldiers and a combined U.S.-Dutch color guard stand at present arms while a bugler blows taps at the American Memorial Day service at the U.S. Army Cemetery in San Nicholas May 30. In the background are civilian spectators. Not visible in the picture are members of the Aruba Exco Post No. 1 of the American Legion and of the Legion Auxiliary.

## Weekly Air Service Started To St. Martin and St. Kitts

Filling a long-time need as more and more residents of St. Martin and St. Kitts find employment in Aruba, a weekly service to those islands was started by K.L.M. April 8.

With Lago's new vacation policy providing up to ten weeks of vacation accrual and financial assistance, the service will make it possible for a number of employees to spend furloughs at their home islands, where schooner or steamer travel had previously made it impossible.

The new service, which operates every Saturday, also provides opportunities for cargo shipments. Fresh lobsters are coming in regularly from St. Martin, and shipment of live animals will also be possible.

## Departments Reporters

(Data indicates that reporter has turned in a tip for this issue)

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William Backus	Restaurant
Gordon Ollivier	Electrical
Luciano Wreter	Labor
Simon Guzman	Druggist
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Federico Pennes	Laboratory 11
Edward Lammens	Laboratory 12
Edgar Conner	Laboratory 13
Robert Hurman	Laboratory 14
Gene Anson	Laboratory 15
Jan Oduber	Laboratory 16
John Francisco	Laboratory 17
Jose Le Cruz	Laboratory 18
Vincent Vanderpomp	Laboratory 19
Ricardo Van Blercom	Laboratory 20
Glaude Roth	Laboratory 21
Hobert Eyer	Laboratory 22
Harold James	Laboratory 23
Henry Mackenna	Laboratory 24

## Long Service Awards

MAY, 1946



George Ruby started to work for the Standard Oil Co. (Indiana) in Cramer, Wyoming in August, 1923, and transferred to Aruba. He received his long service award in Light 20. All his service has been in O.A.F. and he is now an operator.

George Ruby

## 10-YEAR BUTTONS

Juan Croes	Pipe
Miguel Vroolyk	Pipe
Jose Figueroa	Carpenter
Gregorio Tromp	Boiler
Juan Lopez	Laborer
Henry Goodwin	T. S. D.
Peter Craeger	T. S. D.
Felix Sagers	Press. Skills
Atunado Van der Linden	Press. Skills
Richard Johnson	Acid Plant
Lovelock Hassell	Acid Plant
Benoit Croes	L. O. F.
Anton Harms	L. O. F.

## Cat Plant Improvement Nets 250 to Suggestor

High man of the "C.Y.I." winners for April was Edgier Jackson of the Cracking Plant with a Fla. 250 suggestion for changes in the PCAR control system.

Other winners for the month: Oscar Lanyi, Fla. 15.00, gate near time clocks at Colony Shop; Ferrill Miller, Fla. 15.00, safety showers in Lab. 3; Sydney Alleyne, Fla. 20.00, push button switches in instrument circuit; L.E.A.R.

Edgier Jackson is standing next to the reactor control valve at the Distillate Cracking Plant, where an improvement he suggested won him a "C.Y.I." award of Fla. 250.

Dunne Walker, Fla. 20.00, platforms under evaporator towers at high pressure stills; James Lopez, Fla. 10.00, pressure gauge at IAR; Melicio Kolly, Fla. 15.00, pavement at surface condensers at PCAR; George Jackson, Fla. 70.00, alarm on precipitator carrier at PCAR; Frederick Eaton, Fla. 20.00, mufflers on air operated pumps; Dominico Christians, Fla. 10.00, walkway at L.E.A.R.; John Thomas, Fla. 10.00, horn in welding shop; Herbert Gato, Fla. 10.00, Colony map to new F.S. employees; Herman Lopez, Fla. 10.00, improve pipette racks; Juan Pieder, Fla. 25.00, fresh water line, joiners room Main office building; Nydia Ecury, Fla. 15.00, explain safety posters in Esso News; Edwin Backus, Fla. 10.00, paint window behind screen Lago Club; Fernando Richards, Fla. 15.00, dock passes to F.S. first aid men; Stanley Ferreira, Fla. 10.00, safety blanket; Tar Plant control house; Luciano Hart, Fla. 10.00, "No smoking" sign at Marine Club; Frederico Weber, Fla. 10.00, fire extinguishers at Lab training room, vault and old Navy office; Waldemar Nabar, Fla. 25.00, publish H.E.F.'s waiting list; Edgier Jackson, Commendation, change dilute phase spray water system at PCAR; Harold Wathey, Commendation, guard rail around windows Lago Police Office.



Victors last month included R. J. Berlin and J. A. Grondel, respectively president and an official at Compagnie Francaise de Raffinage, a government-owned French petroleum company. Above, they are seeing the stand with F.E. Giffin of the Process Dept.

# Esso Pacemaker in War and Peace

Shifting from conflagration to conservation, two subsidiaries of Standard Oil Co. (N.J.) recently released noteworthy news. The Standard Oil Development Co. announced that it had received an award from the Navy for important research and development in the field of incendiary weapons, and O. C. Schorp, president of the Carter Oil Co. announced the release to the industry of a new device which will help immeasurably in the conservation of the oil resources of the world.

Closing four years of intensive wartime research in the incendiary weapon field, the Standard Oil Development Company and eight of its top scientists and engineers received awards recently from the Navy Bureau of Ordnance for "distinguished service".

Their service was the development and design of the Navy's Mark I Flame-thrower and its devastating fuel—jelled gasoline. The Development Company received the Naval Ordnance Development Award and the scientists, including R. P. Russell, president of the Company, were named as recipients of the Naval Ordnance "Certificate of exceptional service".

Impressed with the close shave of a flame-thrower operator in a demonstration where the flaming fuel from his weapon had been caught by a gust of wind and blown back perilously close to his position, R. P. Russell, Development Co. president and N. M. Myers, assistant chief engineer of the Esso Engineering Department believed that something might be done about it. Remembering from their early work on incendiary bombs the effectiveness of jelled gasoline they were convinced that it could be used in the flame-thrower. It was thick enough to carry much greater distances and not so much of it would burn up while traveling toward the target.

The National Defense Research Committee and the Chemical Warfare Service were receptive to the idea. And in March 1942, the Standard Oil Development Co. was assigned the task of adapting jelled gasoline to the flame-thrower.

By August 1942, the oil scientists had completed their first job. The M-1 portable flame-thrower had been remodeled so that it would fire both liquid and thickened fuel. Once at the fighting fronts the new weapon immediately demonstrated its superiority by hurling more fuel with greater accuracy and at a much greater range and with less danger to the operator.

The portable flame-thrower first came into its own in the Solomons where it broke the back of enemy resistance which had stalled an American offensive.

From the Solomons to Okinawa the portable type blazed a trail of destruction where other weapons had failed to dislodge the enemy from their pill-boxes and caves.

Not satisfied with their results with the smaller units the Standard Oil Development men believed that the portable model could be made into a superior armored weapon and they went to work on the idea.

The result was construction of a larger flame gun with longer range and armored protection.

This new model led, eventually, to the development of a weapon which could fit into an amphibious tank. By the end of the war two of these new types were in mass production. The evolution of the flame-thrower from the start of the war was a study in contrast. From a portable device that carried but a comparatively small amount of liquid fuel with a range of only 20 yards, the flame-thrower became a decisive offensive weapon—an armored tank carrying almost a ton of destructive jelled gasoline which could be fired with devastating effect into impenetrable positions from a distance of 100 to 150 yards.

Far removed from wartime pursuits was the announcement of the development by the Carter Oil Co. of an electronic device which is able to forecast the future behavior of oilfields. President O. C. Schorp, Carter Oil Co. recently offered the device "royalty free" to the American Petroleum Industry as an aid in the conservation of oil resources.

The oil pool analyzer has almost super-human talents since it can take the equations and statistics of highly-trained technologists and develop in a few minutes the possible life history of an oil field, projecting its production possibilities 25 or more years in the future.

The amazing machine has been developed by The Carter Oil Company and is the invention of Dr. W. A. Bruce, a Carter physicist.

With this device, both analyses and predictions of reservoir pressure-production behavior can be made for most petroleum reservoirs in which water influx is an important factor. Given specific information on which to use its electronic "genius", the analyzer will foretell the future behavior of water-drive oil pools in any part of the world.

The electric robot, in fact, will solve some intricate problems which, Dr. Bruce says, almost are incapable of solution by man. The machine assimilates information about an oil field, digests it, and comes up with answers to difficult problems in five to 10 minutes.

The robot can be used as an important tool in determining what pressures should be sustained in an oil pool to get maximum efficiency and it can be utilized to compute the best rate of withdrawal from a pool to insure the greatest ultimate recovery; it can also tell how much water or gas should be pumped back into the ground to build up pressures which would make the wells produce economically and profitably.

The chief use of the analyzer is in guiding production engineers as they determine the rates of withdrawal of oil in comparatively new fields. Scientists viewing the analyzer today seemed agreed it can be a boon to conservation. If the robot says that too speedy production of oil from wells will hasten the "end" of the field and force wells to go dry before they recover the maximum amount of oil possible, the rate of production may be changed in accordance with the analyzer's calculations.

In its six-foot walnut cabinet, the "brain" looks quite impressive and one look inside discloses hundreds of wires, minute electrical connections, dozens of tubes, electrodes and a maze of intricate switches.

Four years ago, the first model analyzer was developed by Dr. Bruce. In 1941, he visited Columbia University where an electronic device had been developed to study the flow of heat. He correlated the principles as they applied to the study of oil production and the Carter analyzer is the result.

While to date, the robot has been tested in determining behavior of oil fields in several states in the United States, preparations now are being made to install one of the analyzers in South America where it will be used to "feel the pulse" of some fields on that continent.



Contrast between Esso's wartime efforts and peacetime achievements is shown in these two pictures. Above is seen the Navy's Mark I Flame-thrower in action against the Japanese Islands. Below is a view of the complicated control panels of the oil field analyzer, another Esso development.



## Hospital a Inaugurá División Obstétrico

Departamento Medical di Lago a inaugurá un division di obstetricia (tratamiento pronto y despues di alumbramento) dia 3 di Juni, 1946, bao cargo directo di Dr. John N. Borbona. Eanki ta e promé pasá di plan pugnerra di Departamento Medical pa percará pa especialistasnan i tratamiento specialisá di varios divisionan medical pa personal i familiarian di Lago Oil and Transport Company. Dr. Borbona ta un obstétrico masha bon cualificá.

Cu inauguración di e division aki, tur casanan obstétrico lo bai pa Dr. Borbona pa bishitacion promé despues di alumbramento, i mas lo no wordé tratá mas pa via di clinician general di Departamento Medical ni pa otro dokternan. Hornan especial pa consulta obstétrico ta manera ta sigui aki-bao:

- Famianan Foreign Staff, DiaLuna, DiaRazon y DiaBiernes di 10 pa 12 am.
- Famianan di Seccion C, DiaLuna, DiaRazon y DiaBiernes di 10 pa 12 am.
- Famianan di otro empadronan local, DiaLuna, DiaMars, DiaHuebes y DiaBiernes di 1 pa 4 pm.

Pa pacientenan por yega na ora na hospital pa e consultacion cu ta cuminsá for di merdia, Esso End Transportation Company a pone un bus mas na servicio dia 3 di Juni, 1946. E bus aki ta salí di San Nicholas 12:30 di merdia y e ta yega Hospital di Lago for di merdia.

Hornan di busnan yega hospital ta ta awor: 1or, 2or, 3or y 4or tur dia di siman.

Di e dos portabonan aki bue, e un di mas arriba ta un "flame-thrower" (un machina cu ta spruít gasoline blanda di 100 y 150 yards di distancia) den accion contra Haponesnan na Pacifico. E otro ta un machina nudo cu por mandra cuantidat tempo un veld di petrolio por produci petrolio. Compañia a desarroyá e dos machinanan aki, eun ta masha importante den tempo di guerra y e otro den tempo di pax, pa e un gran realizacion den industria di petrolio.

STATION TO ACCOMPANY THE ABOVE:  
 FOR MAIL FOR ABOUT  
 10  
 HONEY POPE BESSIE

HONEY POPE BESSIE, for every womanly performance conducted in the performance of obstetrics at the Lago Station, at Lago Oil and Transport Company, is a specialist in obstetrics and a specialist in obstetrics. She is a specialist in obstetrics and a specialist in obstetrics. She is a specialist in obstetrics and a specialist in obstetrics.

*Honey Pope Bessie*

Shown above is the station from U.S. President Harry Truman's visit to Lago. The Medal for Merit awarded to R. P. Russell of Standard Oil Development Co. is shown with his certificate of merit. Mr. Russell is at left below, with Dr. Gustav Kaylor of the American Institute of Chemistry, after receiving the Institute's gold medal for "outstanding service in the science of chemistry," citing particularly his efforts in the production of acetone, fuel, explosives, and synthetic rubber.



## DEATHS

Clarence Husband of Colony Maintenance, on June 9, at the age of 30. He had been an employee for the past year and ten months and was a participant in the Thrift Plan. He is survived by his wife and two children.



The separator collects most of the oil and water that enters the sewers in the refinery. Oil is skimmed from the surface and returned to the plant for reprocessing. While the separator recovers most of the oil in the sewers, a substantial portion is lost through evaporation and with the overflow water to the sea. Whatever is saved is of low value because of poor quality.

Four barrels of oil lost every minute of the day and night, month in and month out. Enough oil that, if it were gasoline, would fill the tanks of eleven automobiles every minute—over 15,000 automobiles a day.

Not all of this loss can be stopped. Some of it is accounted for by unavoidable evaporation of products. A substantial part, though, can be stopped by employees operating their equipment properly.

Next to evaporation in storage, the biggest known source of refinery losses is the sewer system, and the best-known method of reducing that loss is to keep oil out of the sewers.

Sewers discharge into a separator box in back of No. 1 Powerhouse, where oil is trapped and water discharged to the sea. The oil that is salvaged, however, is

named "slop oil" because it has so low a value. It may have been expensive high octane gasoline or kerosene or Diesel oil when it went into the sewer, but since such oil is mixed with all other oil going to the sewer, the recovered product is only slop, and all the time and money spent on it in previous processing operations is wasted. Besides this a large portion of the light oils (see glass beakers at center of page) is lost through evaporation in the sewer system or at the separator. Any 100 octane gasoline going to the sewer will be 90 per cent lost through evaporation, and the one-tenth part recovered will be low value slop oil.

#### KEEP OIL OUT OF THE SEWERS

The commonest ways in which oil is lost or becomes slop are through draining excess oil to the sewer when drawing water from tank bottoms; through drip

# LOST

2,092,400 Barrels  
172,800 Barrels  
5,760 Barrels  
4 Barrels

Adjust pump stuffing boxes  
to prevent excessive leaks

Don't pour oil down the sewer  
when drawing water from tanks

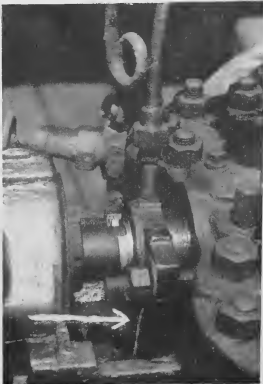


If the 100 cc's of gasoline in only the top 10 cc's shown by the separator. The balance is lost through evaporation. The right illustrates the 25 cc's of 100 going to the sewer. And the from the value of finished.

When drawing water from the tanks to the sewer, care should be used to avoid drawing oil to the sewer with the water. Never leave a water drawoff valve open and unattended.



A small leak through a pump packing gland may seem unimportant, but a stream of five cc's per second, like the one the arrow points to, will amount to 1,000 barrels in a year.



Per Year  
Per Month  
Per Day  
Every Minute!

# LOST



Over 2,000 samples are drawn every day. To get a true sample, the line must be flushed, but care must be used to see that no more flushing is done than necessary. If every sampler runs one quart more than is necessary to flush the line, at the end of the day 12 barrels have gone to the sewer.

Over 2000 samples taken daily --  
a one-quart loss on each  
would total 12 barrels

Over 50 barrels of oil  
goes to the sewer EVERY HOUR.  
The figure can be halved or  
quartered by good operation

gradate goes to the sewer,  
portion will be recovered at  
refrigeration. The products of  
that would be lost out of  
recovered would be degraded  
the low value of slop oil.

page at pump and valve packings; and through drawing excess oil to the sewer when preparing to take a sample.

Water may be drawn from over 300 tanks.

More than 500 pumps are in oil service.

Over 2,000 line samples are taken daily.

Add countless valve packings, flanges, and pipe threads that may leak, and it is plain that little losses add up enormously into big ones.

Be careful in drawing off water from tanks. Keep the stream small enough so that oil is not drawn into the drain before as much water as possible is taken out. Water drawoff valves must never be left open and unattended.

**DON'T DRAW OIL TO THE SEWER**

A very small leakage, two or three drops per second, is enough to lubricate most pumps. Two or three drops a second equals about two or three barrels a month. But spot checks have shown that pumps had leakages of 100 barrels a month, several had over 500 barrels, and there were a few cases of over 1,000 barrels per month leakage per pump.

If two or three barrels per month will lubricate a pump, don't allow loose packing glands to waste 50 or 100 times that much.

#### KEEP PACKING GLANDS TIGHT

With literally thousands of line samples being taken every day, it is essential that little losses be avoided in sampling. In flushing out lines, draw out only enough oil to make certain a good sample is obtained. And see that the valve is tight and not leaking afterward.

Keep packing glands snug. A leakage of two or three drops per second is enough to lubricate most pump packing glands.



Water over the dam showing the separator discharging into the lagoon. When the separator is over-loaded by unusual quantities of oil in the sewer, losses to the sea are excessive.



# NEWS <sup>and</sup> VIEWS



Gifts were showcased on Marscart Bristol of the Esso Heights Dining Hall by the fellow workers to the tune of a china tea set, an aluminum weather set, an aluminum fruit dish, and a silver

butter dish. The cause for this windfall was his marriage to Edna Angulo Cruz, June 2. The couple plan to live in Ebonesta. Presenting the gifts to J. Landwehr, Esso Heights supervisor.



Here they are lined up — the athletes of 1946. The boys wear the number with the pigeon-toed dance should do well in the track race of that year, and there may be a good dash man or two as well as a couple of middle-and-throat runners. They were snapped enroute watching the high jump event at the Heights June 12.

Some girl, different gear and clothes. At left she is an addition to Orange for her new Universal Studio picture, "Canyon Passage". At right she looks the way Susan Hayward looks in a classic short theatrical production, "The Hat at Left weighs more than the clothes" at right.



Tur = des porteuran shi ta di e mas un muchachur salomonic cu diferente trabe. Su nombre ta Susan Hayward y a ta trabashe den un film nobu "Canyon Passage". Naha E placé su banda robes ta plus mas cu e porteuran cu e ta hiba na banda drechi.

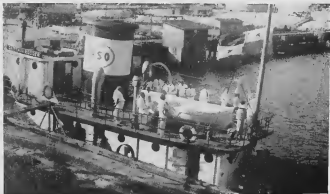


Four generations gathered in one spot are not rare, but unusual. Kenneth James Moseley, who arrived April 2 (he's the young man in the center) made a foursome out of this group. Halting Kenneth James Jr. great-grandmother Ada Harrington; at left is mother Frances Moseley, and at right is grandmother Frances Thurman. We are not authorized to say that she will challenge any grandmother alive on the having altar, but it is a well-known fact in bowling circles that she can make a monkey out of most grand-mother processes at that sport.

Cuatra generaciona basta na ta algo raro, pero na ta cos di tur dia den Lago Cooey. E baby ta Kenneth James Moseley den mekani di su lina: wela Ed. Ada Harrington. Su mamá na banda robes ta Frances Moseley y su wela na banda drechi ta Frances Thurman.



The flag of Panama is raised on the tug "Captain Rodgers" as the "Port Henry", formerly of American registry, was changed to Panamanian registry May 26. The tug recently acquired from the S. O. Co. of N. J., is owned by L. G. & T. Co., and has been named appropriately after the late Captain R. Rodgers, founder of the Marine Department here. Assisting in the name and flag changing formalities were S. Q. DeGroot, Panamanian Consul, G. Palmer, American Vice-consul, and J. Smith of the American Bureau of Shipping. One of the tug's first official duties after becoming the "Captain Rodgers" was to steam out of the harbor at 2 p.m. next morning and pull the ocean tanker "Signal Hill" off the reef.



# Lago Heights Holds Annual Sports Meet June 10



The annual sports meet sponsored by the Lago Heights Advisory Committee was on the calendar for the Wednesday holiday this year for the first time. As always, the crowd could alternate its attentions between afternoon sports outside and all-afternoon dancing inside. Handmade prizes brought out scores of spectators for the 21 events on the athletic program.

## They Won

Cross country: 1st J. Thomas, 2nd E. Mingo, 3rd R. Corrie, time 35 minutes (approx. 4 miles); 100 yards boys under 15: 1st R. Roberts, 2nd V. Nicholson, 3rd A. Gibbs; 100 yards, men: 1st R. Jackson, 2nd K. Wong, 3rd T. Johnson; 50 yards, girls under 15: 1st R. Brown, 2nd V. Dush, 3rd I. MacDonald; 50 yards, men: 1st R. Jackson, 2nd T. Johnson, 3rd R. Sardon; Egg & spoon, ladies: 1st R. Brown, 2nd T. Johnson, 3rd I. Sharp; 100 yards, children 10 years and under: 1st C. McElhinney, 2nd A. Warriman, 3rd J. Lubinski; 40 yards, men: 1st R. Johns, 2nd V. Lee, 3rd E. Clarke; 50 yards, men: 1st H. Lopez, 2nd E. Jeffrey, 3rd H. King; 100 yards, men 35 and over: 1st E. Robinson, 2nd M. Lashley, 3rd J. Potts; 50 yards, men: 1st H. Lopez, 2nd R. Chang-Yai, 3rd W. Wong; 50 yards for girls 15 to 20 years: 1st M. Hildge, 2nd E. Gouvea, 3rd V. Dush; Relay Race, winning team: E. Jackson, R. Sardon, E. Williams (100-200-100 yards); Shot put: 1st T. Johnson, 2nd E. Thomas, 3rd C. Bacon (winning heave, 46 feet 4 inches); Long Jump: 1st R. Jackson, 2nd J. Thomas, 3rd K. Wong (21 feet 7 1/2 inches was final, 30 yards for ladies: 1st M. Hildge, 2nd N. Gibbs, 3rd A. Lashley); High Jump: 1st J. Cox, 2nd M. Bernard, K. Wong (winning jump, 2 feet 6 inches); Half mile: 1st Brewster, 2nd E. Williams, 3rd Edravage (Time, 2 minutes 57 seconds); Three-legged race: 1st E. Huxtable and M. Brewster, 2nd H. Lopez & R. Khan, 3rd C. Lee & C. Johnson; Misc.: 1st Brewster (also won lap race), 2nd R. Green, 3rd E. Mingo (Time 8 min. 14 sec.); Last but not least, the Bungalows out-pulled the Bachelor Quarters in the annual Tug-of-War.

Credit is due the members of the Lago Heights Advisory Committee, who put on the meet with the help of a number of public-spirited Heights residents. Those responsible included: A. Treasa, F. Brasch, H. Nassy, B. Viapras, A. Matthews, E. Barkin, G. Levernay, A. Reilio, G. Sarvan, A. Stevenson, R. Bishop, E. Tulloch, J. Francisco, E. Khan, I. Mendez, V. Mungoby, H. Stevenson, B. Macdonald, F. Gilson, G. Lizard, Mrs. C. Mac-Crossin, J. Datta, R. Glass, J. de Vries, A. Kruel, D. Sibley, H. Armas, E. Gomez, E. Huxtable, M. Lashley, R. Basilio, H. Lawrence, B. Ecury, L. Bruce, and I. Gibb (and possibly others not mentioned in the official program).



Above, the crowd looks small from the air, but many hundreds saw the day's events.

At left, Teddy Johnson tries the long jump. It was one of the few events he entered in which he didn't either win or place, and he entered a lot.



At right above is the finish in the 50 yards race for girls 15 to 20. At left above, Jack Chaud, portraist announcer of Lago Heights sports, urges entrants to gather for the half mile race. Changing records on the loudspeaker system is Andy Kruel of the Telephone Exchange, who knows his public address systems.



At left M. Hildge shows her heels to the other entrants in the 50 yards for ladies over 20. At right, the crowd in the grandstand.



A hungry bunch of boys you never sawd Champung away anywhere in their melon at left is H. Lopez, who devoured his lun & little faster than anyone else in the bun race.



At right is the prize booth, with C. Moore of Personnel back to camera. Visible over his shoulder are G. Mingo, acting assistant general manager, who later spoke for Management when the prizes were awarded, and A. Treasa, who spoke for the L. H. committee. The little boy at right didn't speak for anyone — he was the boy shooting the cameraman.

With a combined farewell and wedding gift of a silver serving set, Hildegard Schamacher receives a sendoff from the local nursing staff of the Lago Hospital. She was married at the Lago Community Church May 21, to M. J. Laurens Wilbers of Curaçao and the couple left immediately after the ceremony for their new home in Willemstad. Many among the presentation is nurse Lucy Lalligun.

## AROUND THE PLANT



Errol South of the Storehouse, who is at extreme right in the picture, had some friendly assistance when he celebrated his twenty-second birthday at the Lago Club May 18. Standing with him and reading stichette around the table are Hugh Oliviera, Dicie Viazera, George Lihura, Marlon Ward, Rene Flanginthe, Wood Gama, Oscar Kamenka, Yvonne De Silva, Josh Chand, Dick Bialle, and Sami Cellista.



"Messall Field", the recess recreation ground for apprentices north of the main training building, was dedicated May 16. One of the representatives of E. A. Messall, for whom the field was named, should stand the first ball. Before the kickoff, E. Messall of Industrial Relations made a short talk, dedicating the field to the spirit of teamwork. That is as valuable as the job or as the playing field.

"Messall Field", held a recreation no record of difficulty of training, a marble ball for 39 Met. 2 table natural on E. A. Messall, hands to number 4 void in cargo, master a setup a pencil ball. From an achievement, E. Messall of Industrial Relations a paper on speech earlier, dedicating a void as a spirit of cooperation as the men better no trees come to help void of trees.



Samuel Rajroop of the Personnel Department is the proud possessor of a diploma from the College of Swedish Massage of Chicago, Illinois. The alumnus stated in part, "...has completed a prescribed course in Health Culture, has passed a creditable examination in the Art of Swedish Massage". Samuel studied the course for a little over a year and received his diploma May 28. He intends to put his newly gained knowledge to work in the near future.



Samuel Rajroop



Henry Moore

The Launch Division of the Marine Department gained a trained radio repair man May 26, when Henry Moore received his diploma from the Sprayberry Academy of Radio at Pueblo, Colorado. The diploma stated in part, "This certifies his competency in matters relating to technical radio theory and practice, and is hereby recommended to the favorable consideration of the public." Henry studied the course for 11 months before receiving his diploma and now plans to repair radios as a sideline to his lunch work.

### SCORES Cricket Tournament

May 27	Dominica	121
	Victoria	71
June 2	British Guiana	138
	St. Eustatius	107
June 9	Cambridge (one inning)	210
	Golden Arrow	1st-50; 2nd-80

Henry Lo-A-Njoo will do no welding at the Drydock for some time now. He started his long vacation June 3, and is now just "taking it easy".



### Football Knockout

May 30	Trappers	4
	Unidos	1
	Vitese	4
	Neerlandia	0
	Jong Holland	0
	Trappers	0
June 1	Jong Holland (winners)	3
	Vitese	3

### NEW ARRIVALS

1	A daughter, Ludwina Elizabeth, to Mr and Mrs Gerrit Croes, May 13.
1	A daughter, Hylia Cecilia, to Mr and Mrs Calvin E. Hirschbly, May 16.
4	A son, Maximo Antonio Oden, to Mr and Mrs. Nedel Hedcock, May 16.
1	A son, Donald Victor, to Mr and Mrs. Emiliano Haffner, May 17.
0	Celestino Alberto, May 17.
1	A daughter, Thelma Teresita, to Mr and Mrs. Celestino Alberto, May 17.
0	Orsina Redhead, May 18.
1	A daughter, Betina Kirschbly, to Capt and Mrs. A. J. McDonald, May 18.
3	A daughter, Emma Rosalia, to Mr and Mrs. J. J. Buitrago, May 21.
3	A daughter, Emma Yvonne, to Mr and Mrs. Brown Mitchell, May 21.
1	A daughter, Phillipa Jean, to Mr and Mrs. Keuben Vinson, May 21.
1	A son, Johnny Rafael, to Mr and Mrs. George Traxler, May 21.
1	A daughter, Adelores Belterena, to Mr and Mrs. Albert Somoza, May 22.
1	A daughter, Joyce Elaine, to Mr and Mrs. Albert H. Day, May 22.
1	A son, Winston Samuel, to Mr and Mrs. Samuel Powers, May 23.
1	A son, Pedro Enrique, to Mr and Mrs. Daniel Matthews, June 2.
1	A daughter, Esther Kathleen, to Mr and Mrs. Kenneth Woodford, May 23.
1	A daughter, Elvira, to Mr and Mrs. Emilio Arroyave, May 23.
1	A daughter, Geraldine Lois, to Mr and Mrs. Charles Falcon, June 2.

### Korfball Tournament

May 19	T.O.F.	6
	Xorxes	1
	Jong Holland	2
	Sparta	3
May 26	T.O.F.	2
	Sparta	2
June 1	Sparta	3
	Falcon	2

### Bowling Prizes Awarded

Signifying the end of the 1945-1946 Bowling League, the annual bowling party was held May 19 at the alley. Accompanied by food, drink and an assortment of novelty games, the main event of the evening was the presentation of the L. O. Smith Trophy to the captain of the winning team in each league. At left is Mildred Woodhill, captain of the Queen Bees, receiving her team's winnings in the Round Robin League. The inset at left shows Tom Walsdon, gathering in cash for his brother Joe's M. & C. team winners in the Scratch League. In the center, several bowlers express grating sentiments with hugs and the "cushy" served by the able hands of Corvita Dunlap and Fresh Baran. At right is Tom Smith, captain of the Woodshakers of the Woodcock League. Bob MacMillan is making the presentation.

Engagements and birthdays were combined in a party at the home of Charlie Robbe of Personnel in Lago Heights May 16. The engagement of Charlie's niece, Olga Singh of S.T.S.D., to Terry Mungal of Personnel topped the list of happenings. Added to this was the announcement of the birthdays of Olga and Charlie's wife, Winnie. The food and drink were excellent and Mrs. Robbe received many compliments for her fine repast.

Progressing farther along the comeback trail, the Eagle C.C. defeated the West Indian C.C. 214 to 85, May 19. High man for the Eagle was Nicholas of the Carpenters, with 60, and for the West Indians, Brown of the Training Division, with 27. The Eagle C.C. cricketers claim they will accept challenges from any and all comers.

In a holiday match they defeated the Cambridge C.C. 194 to 120 at the Eagle field. High man for the day was C. Worrall who made 73 for Cambridge. For Eagle the high man in this match was D. Charles who scored 68.











## —AND SUDDEN DEATH

Publicizing the fatal of mending injuries—almost a million last year with 36,000 deaths—seems apt to give rise in jarring the motorist into a realization of the appalling risks of auto-driving. He does not translate dry statistics into a reality of blood and agony.

Figures exclude the pain and horror of a savage mutilation which means they leave out the point. They need to be brought closer home. A passing look at a bad smash or the news that a fellow you had lunch with last week is in a hospital with a broken back will make any driver but a born fool slow down at least temporarily. But what is needed is a vivid and sustained realization that every time you step on the throttle death is beside you, hopefully no more for the time. That single horrible accident you may have witnessed is no isolated horror. That sort of thing happens every hour of the day, everywhere in our United States. If you really felt that perhaps the stink of type in Monday paper recording that a total of 29 local citizens were killed in week-end crashes would raise something more than a perfunctory tuck-in as you tuck into the sports page.

An enterprising judge now and again sentences reckless drivers to lose the accident end of a city morgue. But as a mangled body on a slab, waits portraying the consequences of bad auto-driving judgment, isn't a patch on the scene of the accident itself. No artist working on a safety poster would stop there; that is full detail.

That picture would have to include motion-picture and sound effects, too—the flopping, pointless efforts of the motorist to stand up, the queer, stilted noises; the steady, panting growling of a human being with pain creeping up on him as the shock wears off. It should portray the slack expression on the face of a man, drugged with shock, staring at the Z-twist in his broken leg, the insane crumpled effect of a child's head after its bones are crushed inward, a realistic portrait of an hysterical woman after her screaming mouth opening hole in the bloody drip that fills her eyes and runs off her chin. Minor details would include the raw ends of bones protruding through flesh in compound fractures, and the dark red, young surfaces where clothes and skin were flayed off at once.

Those are all standard, everyday scenes to the motorist who has some places in a hurry and taking a chance or two by the way. If ghosts could be put to a useful purpose, many lead stretches of road everywhere would give the oncoming motorist with greasy wheels and the educational pictures of ten or a dozen corpses, all sizes, sexes and ages, lying horribly still on the blood grass.

Last year a state trooper of my acquaintance stopped a big red Hispano for speeding. Papa was obviously responsible person, obviously set for a pleasant weekend with his family. The officer cut into papa's well-learned expostulations. "Let 'em off this time, but if you keep on this way, you won't last long. Get going but take it easy." Later a passing motorist hit the trooper and asked if he'd finished. "I had a ticket," "No," said the trooper. "I liked to spoil this party." "Too late, you didn't," said the motorist. "I'll stop him and then I'll put him down that car again 50 miles up the line. It still makes me feel sick at my stomach. The car was all folded up like an accordion, the color was about all that was left. They were all dead but one of 'em by the way, and wasn't going to live to the hospital."

Maybe it will make you sick at your stomach, too. But unless you're a built-for-luck incurable, a good look at the picture the artist wouldn't dare to paint a first-hand acquaintance with the reality of many deaths with a single bump and judgment, ought to be well worth your while.

I can't help it if the facts are startling. If you have the nerve to drive fast and take chances, you ought to have the nerve to take the appropriate cure. You can't ride an ambulance or watch the

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# NEWS AND VIEWS



In the midst of a forest of pipes, valves and tanks grows this bit of nature at the Progress Plant. Caret for by two Gas Plant men, the vine seen here (locally known as Bannefey) started from just a sprout and grew to this size. Jase Smook is giving it his approval assisted by H. F. Walcott and (behind him) Vesterlain Hernandez. The men say it will bear leaves some time around November.

Mai-mai di un castid di plant, bannefey y tambe, aas per mite a plant naturales aki na Progress Plant. Dos homber di Gas Plant ta cuida e mata di bannefey aki, cu su principio na tabata sere un sprout cu bishita. Pina y parfet aki ta mira Jase Smook ta admira e mata hunto cu H. F. Walcott y (p'riba el aki) Vesterlain Hernandez. E hombernan ta bisa cu pa bende di November e mata in corga bende!

The caption-writer started to count noses in the picture above, so he could say authoritatively "there are so-and-so many appreciations". At about 57, though, he was hopelessly lost, and can only offer an estimate that something over 200 appreciations, instructions, and other comments with the program appear in the picture. The group was formed just before the opening of Masoff Field for the boys' recess sports.

Pa e bousa tur mado di canto cuanta bende tin riba e parfet, pero tur bende cu ora e yega banda di 87 nan ey, nos tabata tur bende. Di la manera cu ora per duna salubridad un salido cu tin mas o menos 200 apreciacion, instructivo, y otro comentario cu tin di haci cu e programa riba e parfet. E grupo a wordo aki na prome cu habriente di Masoff Field, sportveld pa e muchu-hambunan den nan tempo liber.



In Aruba the PETER HURL is considered a fair-sterd ship. But alongside the Quira Mary in New York harbor she could almost pass for a captain's gig. She is seen leading the ocean stevedores with fuel when the liner was serving as a troopship during the war.



Na Aruba tin e PETER HURL pa un vapor di laman regular. Pero banda di Quira Mary na buid di New York, casi e por pasa pa un buid di rena. Aki tin ta mira la carga Quira Mary na caris, tempo cu e vapor gita-na tabata sirvi como vapor pa trupanan durante di guerra.



Ask anyone in T.S.D. about "Laboratory No. 1, 2, or 3, and they can tell you all about it. It may come as a surprise to some of them, though, that there is also a No. 4 Lab. (left) tucked away in the Sweetening Plant. The sign in this case is almost as big as the "Laboratory", which consists entirely of this bench and the few pieces of equipment with which minor tests are run by Sweetening Plant employees. Luis De-mate is shown doing a hormone sample test. The goggles around his neck are kept handy for other work where he needs them.

Beards, beautiful and streamlined—both of them, obviously. The car is a super-special having super—hair and a light meter capable of 110 miles an hour. Don't expect to find them in Quantized chromosom next month. The girl is Jane Fuller, now getting a Hollywood buildup by Universal Studio.

Eta boniti! Risa, a cubo di e machat tur den la "interrailled" tambe. E auto ta un muchu especial di tres-vel, y cu un motor liber cu por maneja 110 milla pa ora. E muchu-machur ta Jane Fuller, cu Universal Studio ta preparando pa Hollywood.





Occasional palms generally grow in grateful areas but here is one that excites it. This tree-like affair was pictured by H.C. Frothing of the Electrical Department while he was on vacation in British Guiana from February to April.

Maintenance of roads is given no extra manna but to see even this a basis of man. K. van der Meer visited this, in the night by H.C. Frothing of Electrical Department. Temporarily a tabula rasa vacuum on British Guiana, of February to April.



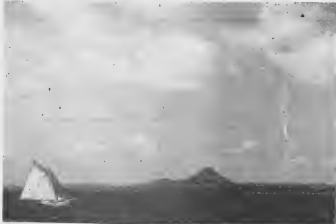
The sleepy scene above is far different from the present-day bustle of the refinery's busiest spot. Taken from an early-1929 photograph sent to the ESSO NEWS by W. Bond of Accounting. It shows the head of the Main Dock, looking west. At right is a corner of the old White House, and in the background of right center is the present Wholesale Commissary building (enlarged several times in the last 17 years). Note the racy-looking 1929 model cars of left.

E hincula hinc ubi in hinciteramento differente di a buya di awardin na e lugar di mas active di refinaria. E ta representacion di un postal di principio di 1929 cu W. Bond di Accounting a ta ESSO NEWS. E postal ta tabata di banda pariba di Main Dock. Na banda drecha nos ta mira un habit di White House hincula, y mas atras e edificio di Wholesale Commissary (cu e awardin engrandeci varios bes durante 17 aña.) Sigur e sustancia apart medel 1929 na banda robes.



A schooner out of Oranjestad starts the long haul pull to Curacao. The trip from the capital island to Aruba is an overnight pleasure cruise with a following wind, but traveling the other direction is often a two-day struggle against the wind and current with countless leaks.

Un barco di bota di Oranjestad ta sali pa bel Curacao. E bishita di Curacao pa Aruba ta un bishita di un awardin, na cu e bota ta bati cu bishita, pero bishitacion di Aruba pa Curacao hoga bira cu un lucha di dos dia contra bishita, cu cu hoga tek.



A silver cream and sugar set and some color plates were presented as a wedding gift to Fanny Johnson of the Colony Commissary by her co-workers. Ceremony took place at Miss Johnson's home, Etoileville No. 40. David Gray of the Print Commissary is making the presentation.



Daniel Odeber of the Marine Office left June 24 to go to work in Maracaibo and to join his future bride there. Daniel started work for the Company as an apprentice in September 1942. He is seen here receiving from the hands of Fellecarpe Tromp a watchfob as a farewell gift from his friends.

Daniel Odeber di Marine Office a bai Maracaibo pa traha dia 24 di Juni, unida na e casa presente. Daniel a comenca traha pa Compania como aprendiz na September di 1942. El ta mira na ritorn di Fellecarpe Tromp un bishita di man, como un regalo di despedida di su amigonan.



Sigur mi por atour-carga mi bishita den (hinc) arte mi ta mustra bo (hinc).



Man di 2,000,000 trahaderonan di Merca a bishita den Grecia ta traha na 1944.







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## Final Results — Employees' Advisory Committee

District No.	Name of Representative	Departments Represented
1	*Luciana Weaver J. Hernandez *J. Kosman	Labor Department
2	*C. Abraham Eileen W. Anderson	Pipe
3	*R. F. Rabke	Carpenter
4	*P. P. Wilson	Dining Hall
5	A. F. A. Oshio	Solder, Blacksmith, Tin and Welding
6	H. V. Tromp	Masons, Insulators and Paint
7	*R. B. Jozlat	Electrical Department
8	Bertie Viegore	Mechanics (Including Machine Shop, Foundry, Central Coal House, Ship Dock, Bakery, Antislack, Garage, M. & C. Administration.)
9	*R. K. Chaud	Stockhouse & Salvage Yard
10	C. R. A. Bishop	Colony Service Operations, Office, Administration; M. & C. Colony Service
11	D. N. Selomon	Comminutaries, Cold Storage, Laundry.
12	*A. H. Nunes	Utilities, Powerhouse, Fire Dept., Utilities Administration
13	G. De Mattos J. De Vries Dr. Vian	Pressure Bells, Gas-Poly, Catalytic Cracking.
14	*J. L. De Abreu N. van Vliet	Light Oils Finishing
15	*E. S. Anderson	Acid & Sulfuric, Receiving & Shipping
16	A. A. Kallae	Technical Service Dept.
17	H. Weaver	Marine Office, Marine Warehouse, Marine Trades; Launches and Barge.
18	A. H. Rosal	Ship Repair Yard
19	*Kelly Jack	Lago Police Department
20	T. R. Douglas	Accounting, Executive Office, Personnel
21	K. R. Williams	Medical Dept.
22	*R. A. Van Blarcom	Stewards Dept., Clubs, School
23	J. J. R. Besoijen	Instrument * Re-elected

The picture below, taken in the middle-evening of July 8, shows Election Committee members and Personnel Department representatives hard at work counting ballots in the E.A.C. final election. Four hours and several gallons of coffee later they completed their work, with the result shown in the box above. On the near side of the table are Ed Sijntjes and Robert Jozlat; Bertie Viegore is at the head table, and at right are Luciana Weaver, Ricardo van Blarcom, and George King. Erskine Anderson is recording the results. Counters not shown in the picture include Bertie Viegore and Cliffie Moore.

E parbati aki na sabi dia 8 di Juli anochi y a na meistro mihembran di Comité pa Eleccion y representacion di Personal Department ta baha dera contando votacion di e eleccion final pa Comité Consultativo di Empleadonan. Despues di cuatro ora y di algun patas di bafio mas a completá nan trabao, di cual e resultado ta publicá aki riba.



## Lago Surgeon Relates War Experiences to Aruba Rotary Club

Dodging Nazi bombs, man-handling heavy equipment into mud-stalled trucks, setting up units to be ready for patients in a matter of a few hours, closing them down again to make lightning moves to be right behind the combat troops — these are all part of the work of a front line surgeon when he is attached to a fast-moving outfit like General George Patton's 3rd Army. This was the story told by Dr. John A. Brassfield of the Lago Hospital, when he related some of his war-time experiences as a surgeon with the U. S. Army in Europe in a talk before the Aruba Rotary Club, July 10.

The doctor can speak with authority, for he served with an auxiliary surgeon's

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## Lagoites' Parent Honored

News was recently received by Erskine Anderson of the Acid Plant and his brother Eldon of M. & C. that His Majesty King George VI conferred the honor of membership in the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire on their father, Robert M. Anderson of St. Vincent.

The honor was bestowed on Mr. Anderson in recognition of his half-century of public service.

He entered the Government Printing Department in 1886 where he rose to the post of Chief Government Printer in 1894. He has held many official appointments and has served in various capacities during his long career. Among the services he performed was that of Registrar of the Supreme Court.

Mr. Anderson retired from the Civil Service in 1927 and has since been the editor of the newspaper *The Vincentian*.

## Honor Lake Fleet Hero With British Medal



Ah 'tita nos ta meir J. W. Woodward, Manager di Departamento di Maritimo ta recibiendo Josef Heiliger, despues cu el a ricibi e "Medalla di Imperio Britanico" na valencia. El a caba di yega di un viaje especial pa St. Kitts pa e ricibi e medalla, como demostracion di su excelencia di valencia sailando bia di un homber, despues di bishamentu di e dos islanan "Punta Garda" y "Amputa" na September, 1944.

Boatswain Josef Heiliger of the Lake Fleet is congratulated by J. W. Woodward, Marine Manager, after his return from a special trip to St. Kitts to receive the British Empire Medal for bravery. The medal can be seen as his left hand.

## Programa Re-improvisá Pa Aprendiznan Nobo Lo Cuminzá na September

E anja aki 'trobe Training Division ta busca candidatonan pa e Programa di Entrenamiento di Aprendiznan.

Trestan preliminar ta tuma lugar na schoolnan di parochia y na edificio di Training di dia 15 te 22 di Juli, y mas o menos 175 mucha-hombenan a worde entrevistá ya pa trestan.

Un testamento cu tin succes lo drenta e proximo klas di aprendiz cu lo habri na cuminsacion di September.

Cu e grupo di September lo cuminsá un Programa di Entrenamiento di Aprendiznan Nobo. E programa nobo ta basicamente igual na esun cu tin awor, pero cambianan provecho cu a tuma lugá lo mester duna mihor resultadoenan en general den entrenamiento di e aprendiznan.

Un di e puntanan principal di e programa nobo lo ta e usamentu di e harkanen bieuw di Navy 'aloes di Bachelor Quarters No. 3 como tabaera pa entrenamiento primario di e mucha-hombenan den e diferente ofishanan. E reconversion di e harkanen lo cumenzá pronto y despues di esaki instalacion di e hermentanan y equipo lo cuminsá.

Instrucion den taller durante e promé seis lunanan lo cambia un poco e cance cu e mucha-hombenan lo pasa bao di supervision directo di Training Division.

Segun e plan bieuw e mucha-hombenan tabata worde gerlin den tallerman den Planta, mientras cu e trabao normal di ferrieri tabata sigui sa curso Awor nan lo haya entrenamiento primario den uso di hermentanan di e diferente ofishanan y bao di e sistema aki nan lo mester por sigui mas durante e mes tanto tempo relativamente.

E programa nobo ta parti den cuatro periodo di seis luna, durante e promé dos añanan. E periodonan aki ta pa seis lugles, lesa y reclinamento.

Durante e di dos y di tres periodonan di seis luna e aprendiznan lo circula den varios departamentonan di refinier, na e mes tempo hayando entrenamiento den klas en relacion cu nan trabao. Durante e di cuatro periodo di seis luna e mucha-hombenan lo keda permanente den un departamento y nan lo sigui haya instrucion di Training Division.

Durante e dos ultimo añanan e mucha-hombenan lo haya entrenamiento den nan trabao den e departamentonan na cual nan ta asigná, y tambe instrucion mas avanzá den Pintamento, Sien-

In recognition of his courageous action immediately following the collision of the tankers Punta Garda and Amputeo in September 1944, Boatswain Josef Heiliger, now of the Inverlago, received the British Empire Medal at a meeting of the St. Kitts-Nevis Legislative Council at Basseterre, St. Kitts, June 27. He had left Aruba on short notice June 22, for a flying trip especially to receive the medal.

... Boatswain Heiliger of the Punta Garda displayed gallantry of a high order throughout. When the collision occurred he made outstanding attempts to get the boats and rafts away.

Hearing cries for help from a fireman who had jumped into the sea without a life jacket... Boatswain Heiliger helped him back on board in an exhausted condition... once more the fireman was in difficulties... Heiliger swam to a life preserver in the vicinity and brought it to the exhausted fireman. But for these brave actions there is little doubt that the fireman would have lost his life" — is the way parts of the citation which accompanied the medal read.

After the reading of the citation, the Acting Administrator for the island pinned the insignia to the Boatswain's lapel amid the ovation of the assembled audience. When the courageous Lakeman returned to Aruba several days later he was warmly greeted and congratulated by his fellow workers at the Marine Department.

Mr. Heiliger is possibly the first Netherlands subject in this area to be awarded the British Empire Medal. He is from the town of Bottem, Saba, and has been a highly regarded member of the Lake Fleet since 1933.



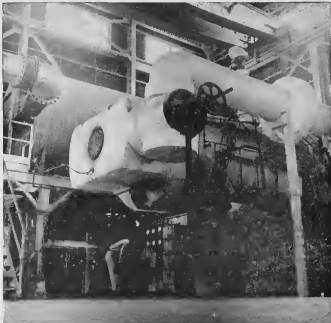
cia y otro estudiantinan maners esakinan.

Tin plannan tambe pa proveer personal di Foreign Staff cu lo tin supervision riba entrenamiento di e mucha-hombenan, mientras cu nan ta den Planta. Nan lo carga e titulo di "Field Instructors", y nan lo ta responsabel pa tur instrucion di aprendiznan den planta. Nan lo tin supervision tambe riba instrucion di gruponan duná pa mecacionan cualificá, cu kendenan aprendiznan lo traha pa nan haya sinja ofishanan.

Felicitation silencioso y parlante lo worde usá pa duna riba worde resultadoenan.

E "Milk Bar" cu ta worde tené pa aprendiznan lo sigui sirbi lechi y kocki un hee pa dia.





# H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>

Without fanfare, one department of the refinery, the Acid Plant, passed its seventeenth birthday July 1, well on the way towards its third billionth pound of sulphuric acid. It observed the occasion with the compilation of some statistics on the results of its 17 years work since July 1, 1929.

The figures resemble the number of grains of sand there might be on a beach. Acid Plant employees used 422,008,969 pounds of sulphur to make their acid. They sent 1,700,705, 584 pounds of acid up to the refinery for use in various treating operations, and sold about 350 million pounds to outside concerns. They made 1,168,533,863 pounds of new acid, and restored 959,549,353 pounds for further use after it had been used in the refinery, for a grand total of 2,128, 083,721 pounds of acid prepared for use on sale.

The subject of all these millions and billions is a heavy, colorless liquid that is untouchable by human hands but which has a number of very essential uses in an oil refinery, basically to upgrade or improve in quality the oil products with which it comes in contact. One of its minor merits is that after it has been used, much of it is recovered, sent back to the Acid Plant for reprocessing, and used again.

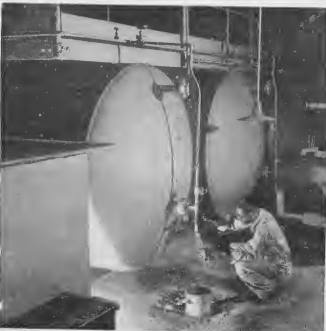
In simplified terms, its manufacture consists of burning melted sulphur to add oxygen to it, then combining it with water to add hydrogen and more oxygen. Some of the major steps are illustrated in the pictures and the captions at right.

Upper left: the two "Contact Plants" are barnlike buildings where the process of making sulphuric acid takes place. The sulphur, first melted in another area, arrives in liquid form at the furnace in the background, where it is burned at 1500° F. and turned to SO<sub>2</sub>. From here it goes to the white boiler next over the camera, which is a heat exchanger to reduce the SO<sub>2</sub> temperature to the 460° needed in the next step of the process. (The steam created by this temperature reduction is used for melting sulphur, and in other operations). From here the SO<sub>2</sub> passes through the first tank of right, which is a rock filter to remove a sulfurous mixture of gases. The gases then pass in parallel through the next two tanks at right which are packed with vanadium pentoxide, a catalyst. This converts the SO<sub>2</sub> gas to SO<sub>3</sub>. The SO<sub>3</sub> is then brought into contact with water (H<sub>2</sub>O) carried in slightly weakened acid and the result is H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, or sulphuric acid. At right above is a showing of the exchanger, clearing the operator at the control panel.



The Acid Plant has many old-timers. The oldest are shown above, five men, still on the job, who were there when the first pound of acid was made 17 years ago. Left to right they are Frederick Connor, Eugene Spitz, Maurice Bates, George Larsen, and Robert Heinz.

At left below, Arthur Cooks draws a sample for testing new 86 per cent acid from a pump tank at No. 2 Contact Plant. He wears the standard safety equipment of rubber goggles and gloves. At right below is a large innovation, the use of an antishock tire in pieces of the usual copper expansion joint, to reduce vibration on the air intake. The tire needs changing only every six or eight years.



# NEWS and VIEWS



Lovers of stretches of good concrete road through beautiful country will appreciate this picture taken by Enrique Roze of the Plant Commissary when he was on a five week vacation in Venezuela to get married. The bridge is the Puente de Independencia and the road leads out of Caracas to Las Gachas, a newly finished housing development. Enrique also submitted a picture of a palm tree that was even crooked than the one printed in the last *Esso News*.



Israel Richardson of the Plant Commissary doesn't seem to believe it, but it's true. The egg he's holding in his right hand is perfectly round and he is probably trying to decide which is egg and which is golf ball. (The golf ball is smaller.) Israel found the odd egg recently in a shipment he was sorting.

While the rest of the boys "take it easy," Eddie Sanchez busts out a hot chorus on the piano. The scene is at the recent July 4 dance at the Coco Club where Spoon Lincoln's Orchestra furnished music for the dancers. The following week the band played an engagement for the Sorlaam Club of Curacao July 20-21, when they had a two-day party festival celebrating their fifth anniversary.



America's Independence Day July 4, was celebrated with traditional fireworks for the first time since the early years of the war. Something over 200 parachute bombs, rockets, "24-hour" aerial bellies" and other color and display pieces went up into the night sky over Light-house Hill, for an hour-long show. The picture above shows most of the pieces just before the show started, all still working as pieces are Wes Walker, Robert Meyer, and William Dombroski at right, Warren Siskel and John McCord are handling them over, and in the background Duane Walker and William Rae work on the all-but shrapnels. In the left picture, one of the rockets starts spilling fire as Duane Walker puts a pin in it. At right, Phil Wertemberger gets awayfast from the firing tube where he has just dropped a big one, while Robert Meyer waits to set off the next display piece.



Jacob Heiliger of the Lake Plant is shown at the death of E. S. H. a war reporter Henry Winchfield with other Marine Office employees the day he returned from St. Kilda after receiving the British Empire Medal. For story see page 1.



## WAR STORY

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unit which was constantly near the front in order to give the wounded medical care as soon as possible.

After a running fight with a nest of submarines for ten days while crossing the Atlantic, and six weeks of rough commando training in England, during which the doctor said the only casualties suffered were from softball, his unit was moved to Plymouth, England, and embarked for an unknown destination. The only thing they knew was that the Normandy invasion was imminent and that they were to be part of it. They landed on Omaha beach on D-day plus four.

At St. Lo his outfit had some anxious moments during the tremendous bombing that preceded the taking of the town. Some of the airplane markers were blown back toward the hospital by the high wind and some damage was sustained by the hospital as a result of misdirected bombs. This St. Lo bombardment was really a spectacle to behold. Dr. Brasfield said, for 3600 airplanes bombed the town from 9:00 in the morning until 12:00 noon, and left it in ruins.

After moving south with Patton to cut off the Brittany peninsula, then rocketing across France to the Moselle River, Dr. Brasfield's outfit had a stay in Luxembourg and could not move there hospital because of the excessive rain and mud. It was in Luxembourg that the unit lost the only windows it was ever to enjoy in one of its hospitals, when a "bun bomb" fell a mile away and shattered every window in the place. It was the only damage done.

The German breakthrough at the Belgium coast three miles and a half. To add to their woes at this time they were strafed by captured American P-47s which did not have their markings changed and were being flown by German pilots.

Rumor had it that the Siegfried Line would be easy to crack. This turned out to be a bad bit of information; it took three entire divisions to breach the line. But the drive from the Siegfried Line to the Rhine was comparatively easy, and the 3rd Army romped through annihilating something around 400,000 troops with only 45,000 casualties.

The crossing of the Rhine cost the chemical necessary to make a 150-square mile smoke screen, that's all. The doctor said that to keep the moving troops hidden a screen of smoke 25 miles long and five to six miles wide was laid by means of smoke pots and generators by the Chemical Warfare Service and it completely hid the crossing area. In addition there were 1,500 to 1,800 fighter planes overhead at all times. Dr. Brasfield had the privilege of being in the first convoy to cross the first pontoon bridge thrown across the river, and he said not a shot was fired.

Evidence of the beginning of the end was the disintegration of the Wehrmacht in mass surrenders and Dr. Brasfield said that he witnessed the voluntary surrenders of troops at the hospitals.

He said that the movement of hospital units with the speed that was necessary was accomplished by putting into practice lessons learned in the North African and Sicilian Campaigns where fast movement was necessary. These lessons taught that the standardization of equipment and techniques could save valuable time.

For patients who were not in need of urgent care after surgical treatment, "holding units" were established which looked after these men until the field hospitals moved in.

These units worked in teams, leapfrogging each other to follow the surgical detachments. When a surgeon unit finished its work, a holding unit would move in and take over, and the surgical unit would move on with a second holding unit following. When the surgical unit was again ready to move up, the first holding unit, its work finished, would leapfrog the second and take over the patients in the new location. This method allowed the surgeons to get to the wounded more quickly and helped cut the mortality rate greatly, for their mobility made them able to

## Tivoli Club Celebrates Its 25 Anniversary

Starting with a huge reception and ending with a dance, through a week filled with sports and social activities, the Tivoli Club of Oranjestad celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary last week.

Founded in 1921, it is the oldest group of its kind in Aruba; it has over 450 members, many of whom are Lagoties. Last year it moved into a new building of modern design and with complete club facilities.

The large clubroom was filled nearly to overflowing the evening of July 15 for a formal reception opening the week's activities. Members and guests were greeted by Dr. Eloy Arends, Tivoli's president, who spoke on the past history and the future plans and hopes of the organization. Lt. Governor Kwariet congratulated the club on its progress and offered best wishes for its future. Bouquets in honor of the occasion were presented by the Caribe Club of Aruba and the Kwiek Club of Curacao. Following the addresses, a program of musical and novelty numbers was presented.

Athletic events filled the balance of the week, and the celebration was topped off with a dance July 20.

## Some sports results:

Baseball: Tivoli 6, Esso 3 (twelve); Billerds: Tivoli 10, Palm 8; Tennis: 3-2; Basketball: Tivoli 45, Esso 31; Tivoli 44, G.C.E. 21.

## Tivoli Club Ta Celebra 25 Anja di Existencia

Cu un siman di sport y actividadnan social cu a cuminsa cu un recepcion grandioso y a caba cu un baile, Tivoli Club na Oranjestad a celebra su 25 anja di existencia siman pasa.

E club a worde fundá na anja 1921 y ta eun di mas bieuw di Aruba, cu mas di 450 miembro di cualnan hopi ta empleá na Lago. Anja pasa nan a completa un edificio nobo cu tur facilidatnan di un club moderno.

E sala grandi tabata yen dia 15 di Juli anochi na e recepcion cu a habri e siman di celebracion. Miembronan y huespednan a worde saluda pa Dr. Eloy Arends, presidente di club. Cu den su discurso a papia di historia pasado y di plannan y speranza nan futuro di e organizacion. Caribe Club di Aruba y Kwiek di Curacao a ofrece bouquets di flor na e ocasion. Despues di e discurso a sigui un programa musical. Eventonan atletico a yena sobra di e siman y e celebracion a worde corona cu un baile dia 20 di Juli.

Cade Abraham, Easo News reporter for the Pipe Department is now on a two week vacation and is due back July 29.

Mauricio Rikderdt, an electrician helper at the Drydock left July 20 to enjoy his long vacation in Las Piedras.

move much closer to the front.

Another method used to insure the rapid movement of medical troops was the transfer of equipment from one unit to another. Through standardization, a unit leaving a setup could sign over its equipment to the unit coming in and be sure the same work would be carried out. The transfer saved the time it took to pack and repack the large amounts of gear used in the hospitals and field setups.

The doctor mentioned that the medical officers did not mind having German wounded from captured hospitals added to their work because it gave them an opportunity to study the German medical techniques and also acted as insurance against bombing and artillery fire. From the time of Normandy to the end of the war, Dr. Brasfield stated that he had operated in 44 different setups, most tents or in the open fields. In one six-month period he performed over a thousand operations.



In the top picture, six members spell out their club's name at the Tivoli anniversary party July 15. Left to right are Claretta Arends, Edith Arends, Alida Oduber, Eveline Cross, Trina de Cuba, and Ada van de Bree. At center is Dr. Eloy Arends, president, opening the program. In a novelty numbering number, below, members carry symbols of the games and sports played by the club.

At left, six members to spell number of men club on a reception cu Tivoli a bon dia 15 di Juli. Di robes pa drecht: Claretta Arends, Edith Arends, Alida Oduber, Eveline Cross, Trina de Cuba y Ada van de Bree. Al center is Dr. Eloy Arends, presidente, ta habri programa. Abi baxi un numero di e programa musical, den eun cu miembronan ta carga simbolonan di e weganan y sportnan cu e club.

## For a friend—

Victor Winterdahl, a helper in the Colony Electric Shop, was able to do his work and at the same time do a favor for a friend one day last week.

He finished an electrical job at the Hospital, and while waiting for his corporal, he was talking to several men standing on the Hospital porch. After a few minutes someone tapped him on the shoulder and led him into the Hospital's laboratory.

Then he learned that the men he was talking to had come to have their blood tested in preparation for a blood transfusion for a friend. When the situation was explained to him, he decided he might as well volunteer too. It turned out that his blood was the type needed, and the next day he again went to the Hospital, this time to give his blood for a friend.

Visitors this month included journalists from Holland and Denmark, both of whom had worked in the anti-Nazi organizations of their countries.

First was Lou Lichtveld, travelling correspondent for "Het Vrije Volk", who left Surinam 20 years ago to study in Holland, and since then has become a world traveller and writer of note. During his stay here he spoke to the Rotary Club and the Sociedad Bolivariana, on the profession of writing, and on his experiences in the Dutch underground.

Last week Eiler Jorgensen spent several days here in transit from Denmark, where he spent the war years writing both legally and illegally, to the United States, where he has a three-year assignment from his publishers.

## Holland Employees Seek World-Wide Stamp Club

Conceived during the war, a plan to correspond and exchange postage stamps with other Standard employees throughout the world is now being put into operation by the Philately branch of the Staff Club of the Standard. Amerikanaische Petroleum Compagnie N.V. Holland.

The Philatelists have been organized for about three years and hope with the aid of their international scheme to be able to broaden their contacts with other Standard employees in addition to gathering larger numbers of stamps.

Lago employees who are interested may participate by sending the following information to the Easo News, which will set as go-between in the correspondence.

1. Are you interested in stamp collecting?
2. Do you wish to correspond with Standard employees in Holland and other countries?
3. Are you interested in an International Philatelists Club for Standard employees and would you care to join it?

Employees who prefer may write directly to C. M. Oudenberg, c/o Standard, A. P. C., Philately, Petrolia Stand-Ing, The Hague, Holland.

## Windward Circuit

While over 100 of Lago's employees call Saba home, and think of it with a sentimental attachment, to many others it is as "distant" (though only 600 miles from Aruba) and romantic a spot as Easter Island or St. Helena. It is the place where you climb up to the town of Bottom, where the only place to land is from a rowboat on a tiny beach; where tradition has it that boats were once built in the hills and lowered to the sea over the cliffs.

Most of those who would like to see it will never do anything about it. Anthony Dascanio, though, is one who did. For his last local vacation, in October, he went by K.L.M. to St. Martin, and by 11 o'clock that night was on a 30-foot sailboat bound for Saba 30 miles away, along with seven other passengers and two coxes. After rolling and pitching for seven hours, with the usual effect on all passengers, they arrived at their destination, and were landed in the usual Saba way, in a rowboat pushed ashore by successive waves. The only complication was that one wave smacked the rowboat sideways spilling Tony out, and he finished the last few feet of his journey up to his waist in water.

Saba would be a good training-ground for toughening up mountain-climbers' legs, since one can't go more than a few steps in any direction without climbing up or down steep grades. The several towns all are located in the upland parts of the island, among hills which rise 2,000 feet out of the sea.

Saba has been Dutch for the past 300 years (British before that) and the original settlers were of British and Scandinavian stock. (Legend says that they were pirates, who knew a good hideout when they saw one). The island's population has shifted little; consequently there is an overwhelming proportion of just a few names, such as Hassell, Johnson, Peterson, and Anslan. For hundreds of years Saba's men followed the sea, but the tradition has been dying out in recent years. While Saba's men went to sea, Saba's women became famous for their fine needlework.

To get back to Tony, who is still on the beach—in hour's climb by slow stages brought him to the hamlet of Bottom, and another hour's climb to Windwardside, where he stayed with the parents of Rene Johnson, another Acid Plant employee.

Part of Tony's four-day stay was spent exploring some old sulphur mines, including getting thoroughly lost in one with guides who had not been in the mine for several decades.

Next on the program was an 18-mile sail to St. Eustatius, but the sea still wasn't cooperating, and a strong headwind all the way turned it into a 12-hour trip. Landing here is also done in a rowboat rammed ashore by the waves, but this time he only got his feet wet.

He spent two days in St. Eustatius, firmly declining an invitation to climb an extinct volcano. The island, he says, is so fertile from volcanic ash that "you can plant a stalk of grass at sundown, spit on it, and next morning it will be eight feet high."

His trip to St. Kitts, still in the same sloop, which he had chartered, had some variety in that this time they were becalmed for hours, but still tossed about like a cork because of the meeting of

## Un Biahe pa Islanan Barlovento

Siendo cu mas di 100 empleado di Lago ta hini di Saba y ta corcé cu un spico sentimental, pa hopi otro nan e isla cu ta solamente 600 milla leuwer di Aruba, ta parce mes leuwer y mes romantico cu isla di Sta. Helena.

Saba ta e lugar unda bo mester subi cerrocan pa bo yega na e stad Bottom; e lugar unda e unico moda di yega tera ta den un boto di rema na un playsa smal; e lugar unda antes nan tabata traha e barconan den cerrocan y bananan na lamar over di e punta di e cerrocan.

Tin hopi bende cu lo tin gana di conó, pero toch nunca so ta yega di haci e biahe. Anthony Dascanio si ta un cu a bai. Durante su vacante na October, e a bai St. Maarten via K.L.M. y l'or di e mesun anochi e tabata den un barco di bela di 30 pia na caminda pa Saba cu tabata keda na un distancia di 30 milla, huntu cu 7 otro pasaheronan y dos bacá. Despues di a lora y drei siete hora largo, lo cual tabatin e efecto di custumber riba e pasaheronan, nan a yega na nan destino y nan a yega tera na e moda di custumber di Saba, den un boto di rema cu olanan ta pusha manda tera. Un complicacion tabata cu un ola a dal e boto di un banda, asina Tony afor y e distancia di algun pia cu tabata falta pa el a yega tera, e a para te na su cintura den awa.

Saba ta un bon lugar pa train subdorman di otro pasahera cada dia step cu bo dal den cualkier direccion bo mester subi di baha. E varios stadnan cu tin tur ta den parti halto di e isla, mei-mei di cerrocan cu ta reis 2,000 pia fo'i lamar.

Durante e ultimo 300 añanan Saba ta Holandes (promé cu yeg. Ingles) y e promé habitantenan tabata Inglesnan y hendenan di Scandinavia. Poblacion di Saba no a cambia mucho y p'ney tin hopi bende cu ta carga e mesun faman manera, Hassell, Johnson, Peterson y Anslan.

Hopi añanan largo e hombernan di Saba trah tabata bai lamar, pero e ultimo añanan e tradicon aki ta cambiando. Mientras cu e hombernan di Saba tabata bai lamar, e muhernan si Saba a iriba famoso pa nan obra fini di man.

Laga mes bolbe cerca Tony aprobe, cu ta na playsa ainda — un hora di subimento poey e l a yega na e stad chikito Bottom y despues di un otro hora di subimento el a yega Windwardside, unda le a pasa cerca famia di René Johnson, un otro empleado di Acid Plant.

Durante su estadia di cuater dia na Saba, Tony a pasa hopi tempo explorando algun mina biew di sulphur y basta el a verwevi den un di nan, cu guianan cu tabatin macha tempo sin drenta den e minanan.

E próximo numero 'riba su programa, tabata un biahe di 18 milla cu barco di bela pa St. Eustatius, pero ainda lamar no tabata coopera, y un biento fuerte

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Atlantic and Caribbean currents in the channel between the islands. They even left the sloop and rowed for two hours, then the sloop caught up with them, then they were becalmed again just a mile from their landing, and finally would it up by rowing in.

After a short stay in St. Kitts Tony flew to St. Martin, and returned to Aruba by plane.

## LONG SERVICE AWARDS

June, 1946

### 20-Year Buttons



Esteban Goorman, Mechanist  
Employed: April, 1926  
All service in Aruba.

Bertram Schoonmaker, Personnel  
Employed: June, 1926  
Service in: Paris, Algeria, Aruba.



Victor Reiffel, Marine Wharves  
Employed: June, 1926  
All service in Aruba.

### 10-YEAR BUTTONS

Andrew Buckley Jr.  
Amando Quant  
Auriliano Weaver  
Walter Siggler  
Richard Abendanon

Hydro Poly  
Gas Plant  
Gas Plant  
Press, Stills  
Press, Stills  
Moham Lall

Romualdo Coffi  
Eddie Ellis  
Edward Tucker  
William Simmons  
Otho Mauricio  
M. & C.

Rec. & Shipping  
Marine Wharves  
Accounting  
ESSO Club  
Instrument



Above: all passengers and cargo at the Netherlands Windward Island of Saba are unladen out of seawater. In this on a strip of beach only 100 feet long. Below: here three men employes will be able to locate his former home in this picture of Windwardside, Saba. (One of the right center buildings is Excursion Masall of Trinitaria). Below at left is an extinct volcano, a familiar scene in St. Eustatius. The pictures were taken by Tony Dascanio during a local vacation trip.

Aki 'riba tur pasaheronan y carga ta baha na Saba for di botanan di rema na un playsa cu ta solamente 100 pia largo. Aki nan, nan di un empleado te pas haren na e 'vila' e perfect di e stad Windwardside di Saba. (Excursion Masall di Trinitaria) ta baya di dje na banda drechi.) Aki nan, na banda drechi un volcan cu no ta baha mas, un biento familiar pa hendenan di St. Eustatius. Vanj Dascanio a saba e partidonan durante su vacante.



### Korfball Championship Taken by Sparta Club

With Lt. Governor Kwates throwing in the first ball, the Korfball competition that started March 3 came to a sparkling finish June 30, at the Wilhelmus Sportpark, with Sparta defeating T.O.F. 3-0 for the championship. The game was spirited throughout with many exciting plays, and the excellent teamwork of the Spartans was strongly in evidence. In the first half, two goals were scored by Federico Poston (a son of the Esso News' Masons & Insulators reporter). After half-time followed the hardest part of the battle, but T.O.F.'s struggles were to no avail, and another goal was scored for Sparta by Wladimir Tujebhut.

It must be said that in spite of all, the T.O.F. men never lost courage and fought till the end, which made this game such a highly interesting one.

Gathered around the stand, those present witnessed the presentation of the cup by Governor Kwates to the leader of the Sparta team, Lt. Vagjbers, San Nicolas merchant, who is the donor of the beautiful cup for this purpose.

Thanks were expressed by J. Simons of the Surinam Club to the sponsors for his presence and words, and also by van Debusse, who was the organizer of the successful competition.

Later in the evening, the Spartans celebrated their victory at Mr. Simons' home.

### Apprentices Battle For Cup In New Football Competition

In the opening game of a newly formed Training Division football tournament, the No. 2 group of the 1944 apprentice class beat the No. 1 group 4-1 in a hard fought battle at Hasselt on July 5.

In the second game of the series, the No. 3 group 3 to 1, July 12. The third contest of the competition, played July 19, ended with the No-3 group winning again, this time from No. 1 by 6 to 0.

The competition is being sponsored by the Training Division instructors who have donated a silver cup which is to be presented to the winning team at the final game, August 16. The teams competing in the cup are the four groups of the 1944 class of apprentices. The games are played each Friday morning at 10 o'clock during recess.

Intense rivalry is present and the fight for the cup should be a hot one.

### Everybody Plays—

Football seems to be the big interest in the Training Division these days. Not only are the apprentices playing each other, but the clerks and instructors have whipped up a series of matches among themselves. In the first of these on June 29, the instructors took the clerks out and beat them 3-1. The following week however, the clerks returned the favor and took the instructors over the coals to the tune of 3-0.



In a friendly football match at Lago Heights Sport Field June 30, the British Guiana footballers shown above beat the Trinidadians (below) 3-1. Playing for the B. G. team were: back row, Z. Khan, H. McElhinny, H. Abraham, D. Viegas, E. Quevedo, and I. Gardin; kneeling are F. Gilkes, B. Cantelmo, H. De Freitas, J. De Silva, A. Trezzer, and L. Macdonald. The Trinidad team included, standing, G. Lindsay, W. Smith, M. Siqueira, F. Greenberg, E. Lee, M. Joseph, and C. Atang. In the front row are C. Jaques, J. Marchese, C. Farris, M. Bernard, and R. Wong.



Below, a Sparta player (white jersey) shoots a basket over the outstretched hands of a T.O.F. player in the basketball match at Wilhelmus Sport Park June 30. Before Robert Esser of the Garuda clubbed the play at right in the picture at right. Above, Sparta captain, and Max Lushby is T.O.F. after the match. Another shot at left by J. Simons of the Surinam Club. (Rightist pictures furnished through the courtesy of H. Heuser of Oranjestad).



### Empleadonan di Lago Ta Haya Descuento di 10% Ribá Keroseño

Di dia 15 di Juli p'diantu lo tin un descuento di 10% riba keroseño. E Capitan di Lago pa tur empleadonan di Staff y Regular.

Por compra e keroseño cu ta na vende tur emisdia na Aruba, cu boledi di coupon cu bo por haya na bentana di credito na Comisario di Planas. E bokeinan aki tin getempel "keroseño only" cu ta mifick "keroseño solamente" y nan ta costa Fla. 9, pero cu e boledi bo por compra Fla. 10 di keroseño pues un descuento di 10%.

Remedonnan di keroseño E Capitan ta acepta e couponan aki como pago pa keroseño pa e valor cu tin marzà riba nan.



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### Prince's Birthday Celebrated By Scouts With Cricket Match

Adding to the features marking the celebration of Prince Bernhard's birthday by the scouts was a cricket match between the Methodist Padvinders and the 3rd San Nicolas Group.

Edward Finlay of the Cleanout Department led his San Nicolas team to a 118 to 36 victory over the Padvinders of M. & C's Leo Anthony, High men for the San Nicolas team were Finlay with 35, R. Martin with 27 not out, E. Brown 14, and Wilson 11. High men for the Padvinders were Captain Anthony with 7, and Rover Nicholson with 8.

The match was an experiment in fostering and cementing closer union between the scout groups and this trial proved to be a success.

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contra durante tur e biha e bacé dura 12 hora. Aki tambe mester a yega tera den barco di rema, pero e biha aki ta Tony su pianan so a maha.

El a pasa dos dia na St. Eustatius, unda el a nekta firmemente un invitación pa suba un bengala pagá. E ta bisa cu e isla ta masha fértil di shiashi di e vulkaan cu "si bo planta ora solo ta dreña, ekupi ariba, pa su mayan mainta loque bo a planta ta ocho pia halto".

Despues Tony a bai pa St. Kitts den e mes barco y e biha aki tabatin calma durante hopi hora, pero toch nan a worde sagudi y tirá di un banda pa otro, pasobra cu Atlántico cu Caribe ta topa den e kanal entre e islanan. Hasta nan a biha di e barco di bala y nan a rema dos hora; e ora e barco a bala nan aden atrobe, djé nan a bolbe haya esima un milla promé cu nan yega tera y porfin ta cu botó di rema mes nan a yega.

Despues di un corto estadu na St. Kitts Tony a bai St. Maarten y a bolbe Aruba cu aeroplano.



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In addition to the new facilities it is planned to provide additional Foreign Staff personnel to supervise the training of the boys while in the plant. They will be known as "Field Instructors" and will be responsible for all instruction of apprentices over and above that received from the Training Division. These men will be responsible for the supervision and individual instruction of apprentices in the plant. They will also supervise group instruction by qualified mechanics with whom the apprentices are working to acquire trade knowledge.

Emphasis will be placed on visual education under the new program and the use of both sound and silent motion pictures as well as strip film slides will make for better instructional results.

The Milk Bar run for the apprentices will be carried on and will serve milk and cookies once a day.

The Bachelors and the Benedicts were at it again July 7. With play-ing of a 2-2 tie the series ended. No plans have been made for further play.

After more than ten years service in the Laundry, Margaret Dierkes is as liking to take life easy and tend her chickens.

## Miniature "Bar" Solves Shipping Problem

Blocked by a seven mile sand bar and the islands, Zapp and Barboon, the entrance to Lake Maracaibo is one of the most unique waterways in the world. To bring oil out of the Lake, the tankers must negotiate a channel which is tricky and hard to navigate because it is always changing position and depth.

The action of the channel through the Bar is one of endless movement. It changes position at the rate of 20 inches a day from east to west and grows shallower as it approaches its westernmost position about six miles west of Zappura where it can no longer occur if it suddenly. Nature then comes to the rescue and the channel switches back several miles to the east where it begins the cycle all over again.

This cycle takes from 25 to 30 years. As far as records show, the last natural change from west to east prior to the dredging in 1939 occurred between the years of 1912 and 1915.

The meager evidence available indicates that this irregular, pendulum-like swing of the channel has been going on for hundreds of years. It did not bother the men who sailed the waters in light, shallow-draft sailing ships, but with the advent of deeper draft steam craft and tanker convoys, diminishing depths and sharp bends in the channel presented serious problems, and it became evident that these problems would grow worse as the Bar Head channel reached its farthest western position.

As the main channel shifted to the west a small channel made its appearance approximately three miles to the east of the main westerly channel in 1925 or slightly earlier, at times developing strongly, at other times receding. In 1932 this embryo channel opened in an irregular course to the sea and remained open until 1934.

In the next year, 1935, during the dry season, the Bar channel lost depth and the drafts of the Lake tankers had to be materially reduced. It was obvious that the channel was deteriorating, and that soon the Bar problem would become acute.

These actions of the shifting sands forced a decision to solve the problem. The Standard Oil Company, in cooperation with Royal Dutch Shell and the Gulf Oil Company, began to investigate means of improving the existing channel or obtaining a new one.

One of the U. S. Army's foremost resort engineers was engaged as a consultant, and the Army's aid was enlisted in the establishment of a model of the Maracaibo Bar at the U. S. Waterways Experiment station at Vicksburg, Mississippi. The model was for the purpose of finding out, first, what conditions might be expected to occur in the vicinity of the Outer Bar if no improvements were attempted; second, to ascertain if a new channel would develop if the present channel closed, and if it did, at what point the break-through would occur; third, to determine whether corrective dredging or similar activities would aid in developing or maintaining a new channel.

The model was about 210 feet long and its average width was about 125 feet; in building it care had to be taken to duplicate as nearly as possible the conditions existing at the entrance to the Lake in Venezuela. This was done and the tests began in 1936 and lasted approximately two years.

It was found that crushed coal best reproduced the shifting masses of Lake sand. The actual fluctuations of tides in the Gulf and in the Lake were automatically created, and an electrically-driven wave machine generated waves which caused the crushed coal to be disturbed and transported similarly to sand movements on the Lake bottom.

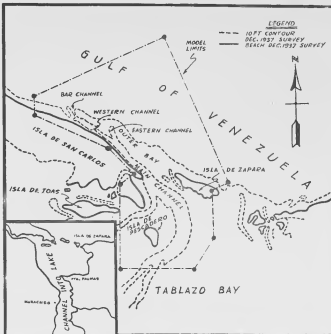
The experiment resulted in a decision to lead nature a helping hand in opening up a new channel through the Bar about two miles to the east of the old one.

To undertake this job one of the older Lake tankers, the INVERCALBO, was converted into a dredge. She was to be of the suction type, the material

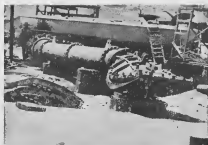
the gun-metal-lined body of water at the west end of the man at right in the famed Maracaibo Bar channel through which tapers stream to and from the Lake. Below are three views of the actual dredging operations. The first shows the side of the dredge with the suction arm held up off the bottom. The second shows the overflow surging up out of the overflow outlets. (The sand settles to the bottom of the hopper). Last, the surplus is seen running over the side of the dredge.

Na entrada di Lago di Maracaibo tin un barra, cual progresivamente se mueve pa el oeste. El Lago Yamborona succiona arena y arena pa formar un canal nuevo pa el este. Y la barca pasa en un tiempo mucho peligroso. Se sigue moviendo y ahora di un barra in cambio posición constantemente hacia awa y tin shiká a kamañá a bira mas small su monda y tabata ora cu mester a sacar un canal pa un problema aki. Non a causala cu inoperancia y nan a bira un model di a barra na Maracaibo. Incontraron a studia e movimentacion di a sandu diun fondo y nan a dicitá di cobra a kamañá pa kaché basta profundo y pa tene kaché. Pa a trahé aki banta un draga di invertebral, un di e Lago Yamborona bira. E sandu mester a ser saca pa un lugar di Lago unda e no pa bolha den e kamañá. Na fin di 1935 a prometerse a combiar y aver si non se plogre nan cu a kamañá par cerca a traha arena di rická e petrona cu e tin mester.

Na banda drechi un model di a Barra di Maracaibo mester di a Lago y Mar Caribe. El petrona aki bo ta mester a draga kachende na kaché.



At right is one of the massively-constructed "mushals" of the dredge "Invercalbo." Lowered to the bottom of the channel, it sucks up sand to be discharged into the ship's hoppers.



being sucked off the sea floor by means of pumps and discharged into hoppers with a capacity of 1,000 cubic yards aboard the ship. When the hoppers are full, the ship moves off and dumps the sand in a place where it will not drift back into the channel.

Actual dredging was begun in the fall of 1938, and in 1939 all traffic was diverted to the newly dredged channel. From 1939 to 1944 the depth of the channel increased from 10 feet 9 inches at the lowest tide to 15 feet 9 inches.

The most recent of the increases in depth brings the loads that can be carried across the Bar up to a point far in excess of those possible at any time before this, and in general the results more than fulfill expectations held when dredging first began about six years ago.

Adapted from "The Ships' Bulletin"

## Baltimore Man Wins First Capital Award

Suggestion Nets \$1500 Total

Capital awards in the "Coin Your Ideas" Plan for 1945 were announced June 11, with James Aires of Baltimore refinery winning the first award of \$500, a gold medal, and a certificate of merit. His suggestion, which was judged best of those submitted by all Company operations, was a rearrangement of instrument connections for controlling reactor and regenerator temperatures on fluid catalytic cracking units.

This brought to \$1500 the total he has received for his idea, after an initial award of \$400 in January, 1945, and a supplemental of \$600 last July.

Second capital award went to F. O. Gibbs of the Louisiana Division of S. O. Co. of N. J. He received \$300.

The third award of \$200 went to J. D. Salisbury of the Foreign Refining Coordination Dept., in New York, and E. F. Long of the Louisiana Division took fourth of \$100.

Judging for capital awards is done on the basis of ingenuity, scope of application, and lasting quality of suggestion.

## SCHEDULE OF PAYDAYS

Monthly Payroll  
July 1-31 Friday, August 9

Semi-Monthly Payroll  
July 16-31 Thursday, August 8

## Employees to Receive Discount Of 10% on Kerosene Purchases

A new 10 per cent discount on Lago's EI Captain kerosene became available to all Staff and Regular employees, July 15.

The kerosene, on sale throughout the Island, may be bought with coupon books obtained at the credit booth of the Plant Commissary. These books are stamped "kerosene only" and are sold for Fla. 9.00 but they purchase Fla. 10.00 worth of kerosene, a discount of 10 per cent. EI Captain dealers will accept these coupons at their face value in payment for kerosene.







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## Twenty-Six Employees Get Record Fls. 1180! In June "C.Y.I." Awards

### Faunce Tops List With 500

Featured by an award of Fls. 500, and with others of Fls. 125, Fls. 100, and Fls. 50, the "C.Y.I. Awards" for June brought a total of Fls. 1180 to 26 employees.

Heading a list of 23 initial awards and three supplemental awards was Sydney Faunce's 500-guilder idea on replacing straight valve strainers with tapered ones in the hot oil pumps at the Combination Units. Lucien Lecluse had second high initial award, Fls. 100, for suggested changes at West Cracked Sweetening Plant to eliminate plugging of small doctor mixers.

Three supplemental awards made during the month included Fls. 125 to Frederick Dirks for a cooling coil system under T. B. stills at No. 3 Laboratory; Fls. 100 to Ernest Wright for a device for joining rubber to make cylinder liner sealing rings; and Fls. 50 to E. G. Armstrong for a saving in New York cable expense.

### Other initial awards:

Julian Hillidge, Fls. 10.00, remove  
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## Sr. Smith Honrá cu Condecoración de La Reine

Carera na Aruba di L. G. Smith, presidente di Lago Oil & Transport Co., Ltd., y gerente general desde 1933, a yega na su colmo dia 31 di Juli ora cu La Reina Wilhelmina, pa via di un decreto especial a laga condecorá Sr. Smith como Ridder den Orde di Oranje-Nassau. Te promé bota cu tabatin un condecoración asina na Aruba y esaki a honra Sr. Smith su posición como e ciudadano di mas prominente durante bopi añs.

Promé cu e condecoración Gouverneur Kasteel a papia cu masha glover di Sr. Smith su influencia cu a logra tanto pa desarrollo y mshoranza di henter comunidad di Aruba, dirigiendo e refinaria di Lago te na e posición di ta un di esnan di mas grandi di mundo. El a alaba e unidat entre Lago y Shell na Curacao durante añanan di guerra, tempo cu un produccion excepcional a worde pídi di nan.

Bo a merece e condecoración aki como un verdadero gran Americano y un gran ciudadano di Aruba," Gouverneur Kasteel a bisa. "Laga e keda como un prueba di nos gratitud y apreco."

Na banda robes, Gouverneur P. Kasteel di Curacao, te haci L. G. Smith e condecoración di Ridder den Orde di Oranje-Nassau dia 31 di Juli, un honor cu final di Sr. Smith su carrera here na Aruba. Hibe e di dos portret na e otro banda.

At left below, Governor P. Kasteel of Curacao places the decoration of Knight Commander of the Order of Orange-Nassau on L. G. Smith July 31, a final honor in Mr. Smith's long Aruban career. The decoration is shown at right.



## L. G. Smith Transfers to New York



O. Mings



J. J. Horigan

For pictures of L. G. Smith see page 6—5.

## L. G. S. Is Honored With Decoration From Queen

The Aruba career of L. G. Smith, president of Lago Oil & Transport Co., Ltd., and general manager since 1933, came to a fitting climax July 31 when Her Majesty Queen Wilhelmina, by special royal decree conferred on him the order of Knight Commander in the Order of Orange-Nassau. It honored Mr. Smith's position as the island's foremost resident for many years, and was the first time this class of the order had been bestowed on anyone in Aruba.

Governor F. Kasteel of Curacao travelled to Aruba to present the decoration at a ceremony in the home of Aruba's Lt. Governor Dr. L. C. Kwartz. Accompanying Governor Kasteel to honor Mr. Smith were J. Noorduyn and L. W. Kortlandt, general manager and assistant manager of the Shell refinery in Curacao.

Before bestowing the decoration, Governor Kasteel spoke in high praise on the development and betterment of the entire Aruba community, while leading the Lago refinery to its position as one of the world's greatest. He commended the spirit of unity displayed by Messrs. Smith and Noorduyn and by their organizations during the war years when they were called on for exceptional achievements of production.

"You have deserved this decoration as a truly great American and a great citizen of Aruba," said Governor Kasteel. "Let it remain a symbol of our gratitude and appreciation."



## Programa Largo pa Celabra Ana Di La Reina na Lago Sport Park

Premionan atractivo y un programa largo y varia lo tin pa celebracion di ana di la Reina Wilhelmina na Lago Sport Park dia 31 di Augustus.

E postamentonan cu lo ta casi igual na esnan di aña pasa, lo cuminsa 12'or di merdia, cu excepcion di e Careda di Distancia Largo for di Brag di Lido, cu lo cuminsa 9'or di mainta y e postamento di vilo, pa cual postamento tur vie mester ta subi pa 10:30 di mainta. E Sub-Comite di Sport Park cu lo haci tur arreglo pa e dia ta consisti di B. Viapree (presidente), E. Hockelman (secretario), R. Jallat, G. Lawrence, G. Olliviere, B. Chand, J. de Vries y F. Dirks.

## Meet Scheduled at Sport Park To Celebrate Queen's Birthday

Attractive prizes and a large, varied program will feature the celebration of Her Majesty Queen Wilhelmina's birthday at Lago Sport Park, August 31. The Olympiad will begin at 12 o'clock noon with the exception of the cross country race from Lido Bridge, which will start at nine o'clock, and the kite flying contest in which all kites must be in the air by 10:30. The sponsors promise a good time to all.

The Lago Sport Park Sub-Committee, which is handling all the arrangements for the meet, is composed of B. Viapree (chairman), E. Hockelman (secretary), R. Jallat, G. Lawrence, G. Olliviere, B. Chand, J. De Vries, and F. Dirks.

## Horigan Appointed Manager, With Mings Assistant Promotions Follow For Griffin & Repath

Aruba lost a leading figure of many years standing, August 11 with the transfer of L. G. Smith, general manager of the Lago Oil & Transport Company, Ltd. since 1933. He has been appointed assistant coordinator of foreign manufacturing in the New York office of S. O. Co. (N. J.), with the specific duty of coordinating the construction of the new Venezuelan refinery.

His former assistant, J. J. Horigan, has been appointed general manager, while O. Mings, formerly process superintendent, has been made assistant general manager. F. E. Griffin becomes process superintendent, while K. E. Repath advances to division superintendent (Western Division). Other appointments will follow, to complete the organization.

After graduating from the University of Illinois as a mechanical engineer, Mr. Smith was employed by the Standard Oil Co. (Indiana) in 1913, as a draftsman in the Whiting refinery. Successive changes made him subforeman in the Boiler Shop, combustion engineer, and assistant general foreman of L. O. F. and Pressure Stills until in 1922 he transferred to the refinery at Casper as general foreman of L. O. F. In 1923 he was general foreman of Pressure Stills, and assistant superintendent of the Lube Plant until 1927.

In that year he transferred to New York as assistant manager of manufacturing for Pan American Petroleum & Transport Co. In August, 1927, he paid his first visit to Aruba, one of the groups that formally selected this as a refinery site. In the years that followed, he coordinated the construction of the refineries at Aruba, Savannah Georgia, and Hamburg, Germany, and directed operations at the Tampico, Destrehan, and Baltimore refineries.

In May, 1932 he transferred to G. W.

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The Employer's Advisory Committee paid formal leave to L. G. Smith August 7 when they met in his office to present a farewell scroll. Below, Chairman Rigel (center) at right, has made the presentation, and Mr. Smith expresses his gratitude for the tokens of esteem. (For photograph of the scroll see page 5.)

Comite Consultativo di Empleadonan a despedi oficialmente di L. G. Smith dia 7 di Augustus, ora nan a rezar den su oficina pa presenta un rollo di despedida. Abi nan, presidente Rigel Chand, no banda drechi, a cobra di hal pa presentacion, y Mr. Smith ta expresa su gratitud pa e premio di apreco. (Pa portret di e rollo, mira pagina 5.)



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In his departure this month after residence of nearly 13 years, L. G. Smith leaves a space as an administrator and as a man that will be difficult to fill. He made his presence felt in many realms of island, Company, and community life; his connection with the refinery has been of the closest from the time he helped select the location, in 1927, through the early construction years, and in the gradual expansion since his arrival in 1933 to the point in 1946 when this has become one of the greatest oil refining organizations in the world.

Mr. Smith is a good leader, quiet but with a strong personality and a great fund of common sense, wisdom, and good judgment. He was an invaluable steadying influence in the hectic months after the plant had sustained an attack by submarines and was in continuing danger.

He has been active in the Rotary Club since its formation here, and was its president when he left Aruba. He took a continuous part in church and Sunday school activities. He was a leader in recognizing the great need for additional housing in Aruba, and in helping to relieve the need through formation of the Home Building Foundation.

He was always ready to lend his support to employees' sports activities, and in personal sports he was a sailing enthusiast for many years, a low-forties golf player, and a good companion at the "19th hole".

An outstanding characteristic was his close and sincere interest in the plant and its employees; he was a familiar figure everywhere. His presence in Aruba will be missed, but the Company is fortunate in that his new position in New York will continue his interest in Lago's progress.

*Not a world's record but probably a Western Hemisphere record was Lago's crude throughput of 4,610.15 net barrels during the 24 hours ending at 7:00 a.m. July 24.*

*The refinery started setting records during the war, when production spirited to keep up with military requirements, and the rise was capped on the last day of the war, V-J Day, August 14, 1945, with a new Lago record of 359,481 barrels. (This has been raised several times since.)*

*It was fitting that a record which may stand for a long time, 4,610.15 barrels, was set near the end of the Aruba career of L. G. Smith, who did much to raise Lago to its high position in the oil world.*

Adios, Mr. Smith

Despus di a traha y biba esal 13 anja na Aruba, L. G. Smith ta bai e luna aki, lagando atras un espacio como jefe y xende cu ta di difficulti di yena.

Mr. Smith tabata di haci cu refinaria for di aña 1927, tempo cu e tabata den e grupo cu a bin welta unida tabata e mihor lugar pa laga un refinaria; despues el a sigui su asociacion cu Aruba durante e prome anjanan di construcion for di New York y despues ora el a bolbe Aruba como gerente general na aña 1933.

Baso di su direccion el a mira e refinaria crece te cu awor e ta un di e mas grandinan di mundo.

Mr. Smith tabata un bon jefe; keto, yudo di solididat y bon juicio.

Su influencia tabata fuerte y valmante durante anjanan di guerra, tempo cu planta tabata na peliger tur ora. E tabata participante di choqui actividadnan di Aruba y el a yuda e problema di scarsedad di casa, formando Home Building Foundation (Fondo pa Traha Casa).

E tabatin mania entusiasmo pa sport y e tabata sostiene tur actividadnan deportivo di empleadonan. Tur semper e tabata sinceramente in-

### Fellow-employees of Lago:

I leave Aruba with considerable regret for I have enjoyed the life here, made many friends and liked to work with you in the building and operating of this great enterprise.

You people have done great deeds since 1933 when I first arrived as General Manager and I have been proud to be your leader. I will always look back on this period of my life with satisfaction in the thought that we people of so many nationalities, different cultures and varying backgrounds could work together harmoniously and efficiently.

The men now in charge of the administration of the Lago have been my close associates for many years and are very capable and fairminded. I know they have your interests at heart and will earn your devotion and respect. The Aruba organization will continue to progress in the future as it has in the past.

With mixed feelings of sorrow at leaving so many friends and associations, satisfaction in our accomplishments and keen interest in the new life and work ahead of me, I bid you "Farewell and Good Luck."

### Co-empleadonan di Lago:

Mi ta bai di Aruba cu hopi duele pasobra mi a goza di a biba aki, mi a haya hopi amigo y mi a gusta di traha hunto cu boosonan den operacion di e gran organizacion aki.

Boosnan a haci cosnan grandi desde 1933 ora cu mi a yega como Gerente General y mi tabata orguyoso di ta bose guidador. Semper lo mi recorda e periodo aki den mi bida cu satisfacion, considerando cu nos, hendenan di tanto nacionalidadnan diferente, di culturanan diferente por a traha hunto cu tanto harmonia y asina eficientemente.

E hombernan cu ta na cargo di administracion di Lago tabata mi intimo asociadonan durante hopi anja y nan ta masha capaz y masha bonos. Mi sa cu nan lo considera bose interesnan y cu nan lo gana bose simpatia y respet. E refinaria di Aruba lo sigui progress den futuro mescos cu den pasado.

Cu sintimentonan misto di tristiza di bai laga tanto amigonan y asociadonan, satisfacion pa loque nos a presta y interes grandi den e traha y trabao nos cu ta spera mi, lo mi ta yama bose "Adios y Bon Suerte".

teresa den planta y den su empleadonan y su presencia tabata familiar tur caminda.

Adios, Mr. Smith; Aruba lo sinti bo falta, pero Aruba ta contento cu den bo puesto nos na New York, lo bo sigui bo interes activo den progreso di Lago.



Promé Spirito: Com bini bo ta aki?  
Segundo Spirito: Pa via di un desgracia

## Cuidao cu Hermentnan Di Man Na Mal Estado

Reportornan di desgracia ta sigui ricorá nos di e echo cu hermentnan di man na mal estado ta responsable pa accidentenan cu golpi di herida personal como resultado. Nos tin pa chempel e caso unda un pida staal a kibra bala cu hopi cacher di un moker y penetra den media di un homber. Afortunadamente e pida staal a drenta den e carni moli na banda di e ruda y asina no a causa ningun dano serio. Esposicion na un diferente storia, podise un mancamiento permanente di e ruda, si lo pida staal a logra di drenta bala e casuchil di ruda. Y tambe nos tin e caso unda un homber tabata usa un yabi (wrench) gastá, cu bocca horri, pa cera e botazon den un tapadera di "manhole." E yabi a sleep y e homber a dal e mes cu punta di e yabi aruba banda di su cara, mas o menos un duint baco e worde.

Y asina nos por sigui menciona desgracianan cu a worde causá door di herment di man na mal estado. Pero no ta necesario pa nos haci esey pa por proba nos caso. E trahadornan y formannan tin, di mester tin conocimiento di e caso. Nos abibeto ta soamentar pa mostra e echo cu hermentnan di man na mal estado ta causa desgracia. Si e desgracianan aki ta pa worde evitá, anto algo mester worde haci cu e hermentnan na mal estado.

Cada formen mester percura pa su trahadornan cumpli cu reglanan estableci acerea devolucion di hermentnan na mal estado pa nan worde drechá, worde desahá di nan. E trahadornan mester worde tinjé pa inspecta nan hermentnan cu frecuencia y cuidao, y asina pronto cu cualquier defecto worde descubri, e herment mester worde sacá fo'i servicio y cambiá den Central Tool Room. Pa yabi evita e posibilidad pa hermentnan asina bai afo otrodrome nan pa nan worde drechá e accion di herment na mal estado mester worde raportá na e entregador di herment na Central Tool Room.

Pa sinjé trahadornan cu mester inspecta nan hermentnan pa defecto, bon uso por worde haci di un exhibicion di hermentnan na mal estado. Cada defecto por worde discutí detayadamente. Pa chempel, papandó over di un kapblit cu cabes machicó, por splica cu e pidanan di metal trói for bira por kibra bala slag di martín i bula dal un trahador den su cara. Papandó over di yablan nan gastá cu boes habri, fo'i moli, e trahador por worde muestrá, con facilmente un yabi por sleep fo'i e not y causa dolenan di man kibrá.

Ora hermentnan worde mantené na bon estado, bon produccion di trabao ta worde asegurá, e trahadornan lo no bira cansá facilmente y desgrecciona lo worde hopi reduci. Tene bose wovonan hánta pa hermentnan na mal estado.

No usa nan; cambia nan pa otro na mal estado.

The scroll presented to L. G. Smith by the Employees' Advisory Committee is shown below. With the letter in blue, and the name letters on a yellow background, it is an attractive memento from the 28 A. S. members who fixed their signatures. The artist was Raynald de Freitas.

Aki hasi nos ta mira e roll cu Comité Consultivo di Empleadonan a presentá na L. G. Smith. Cu e nomber blau y e letra riba fondo geel, e ta un atractivo memento for di 28 membronan di Comité, kendenan a firma e roll. E artista tabata Raynald de Freitas di F. S. D.



### Horigan Elected Lago President

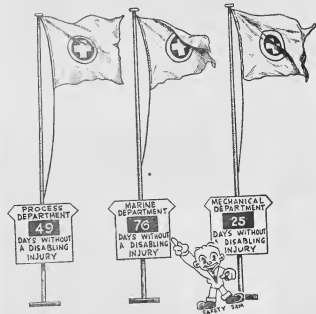
At a meeting of the Board of Directors August 6, L. G. Smith resigned as a director and as president of the Aruba Oil & Transport Co. Ltd. and General Manager J. J. Horigan was elected president of the Company.

# NEWS and VIEWS

The Employees' Advisory Committee for which elections were held in June met for the first time July 28. Following the meeting, which included voting and Management members, the new elected representatives posed for the picture at right. In the back row, left to right, are J. Koenen, C. Bishop, B. Chardon, L. Weaver, D. Salomon, H. van Vliet, E. V. Anderson, J. De Vries, H. Tromp, D. Visser, H. Jacht, J. Esselman, A. Pihlsjö, E. G. Anderson, A. Kozak, P. Wilton, H. Van Bircum, and J. Kestman. In the front row, left to right, are T. Giacinto, C. Abraham, J. de Abreu, A. Kallan, R. Vazquez, R. Williams, R. Rabbe, and C. Hernandez. Missing from the picture are R. Jank, G. De Melles and M. Weaver.



Aki 'Vibe nos ta mira a representantunan elegi di e Comité Consultativo di Empleadonan nobu, despues di nan prome reunion dia 28 di Juli.



<p>Best record since May 25, 1946 was reached June 6.</p> <p>PROCESS DEPARTMENT 49 DAYS WITHOUT A DISABLING INJURY</p>	<p>Best record since May 25, 1946 was reached July 24.</p> <p>MARINE DEPARTMENT 76 DAYS WITHOUT A DISABLING INJURY</p>	<p>Best record since May 25, 1946 was reached July 27.</p> <p>MECHANICAL DEPARTMENT 25 DAYS WITHOUT A DISABLING INJURY</p>
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The drawing above shows the highest number of days without a disabling injury for each of the three departments represented by the safety flags near the Main Gate and Dining Hall. The daily totals are displayed in white chalk. Moreover, however, when any group passes its own previous record, its daily figure will be shown in yellow chalk to call attention to its record-breaking safety performance.

Aki 'Vibe nos ta mira e cantidad mas grandi di diasnan sin accidente cu periodo di tempo pa cada un di e tres departamentonan representa pa e banderanan di seguridad banda di Main Gate y Dining Hall. E totalnan diario ta muestra cu bati bancia. Pasa di avera 'gradiente' si ora cu un grupo pasa su record anterior su cantidad diario ta wordu muestra cu bati, pero, pa bula atencion riba su bon record di seguridad.

Brilliant, according to Hollywood, are as proud of Patricia Rice as they are of that other rock, Gibraltar. If beauty is the standard, we see what they mean. Tied up now with Universal Studios, her first U. S. product is the super-western, "Canyon Passage".



Above, First Captain Ray Sichel of the Yacht Club presents individual trophies to the winners in the 'Difflinger' Race July 28 (one of whom, facing the camera of center, turned out to be a young-liner). With Lenny Touge as job-tender, Difflinger Louis McCoy (right) out-stayed the field of former sports. One of the trophies (engraved coffee mug) is shown in the inset. Below, Frank Scott, under the fascinated gaze of three small boys, gets ready to fire the baby cannon (it shoots shotgun shells) that starts the boat race.



TIME FLIES—as is evident in this old postcard of the schooner dock at Oranjestad. A tomyer photo in the late 20's, when this picture was taken, it is now one of the busiest spots on the island. Bringing the matter up to date, it is now here that "L. G. Smith Boulevard" (see page 5) will start.

TEMPO TA BULA—un prueba ta a postal blow aki di e waf chilto na Playa. Un lugar kete tempo cu a pertrai a wordu tiki 20 anja pasa, aworaki echi ta un di e lugarnan di mas actividad di e isla. Ta aki banda "L. G. Smith Boulevard" (entre pagina 5) ta comenca.



## L. G. SMITH - PRESIDENT

### At Aruba 1933-1946

#### LAGO OIL & TRANSPORT COMPANY LTD ARUBA REFINERY EXPANSION DURING THE ADMINISTRATION OF L. G. SMITH

	FIRST HALF YEAR OF	
	1933	1946
AVERAGE CRUDE DUNS 8/D	109382	332150
MAXIMUM CRUDE RUN 8/D		416015
<b>HARBOR LOAD</b>		
OCEAN TANKERS PER MONTH	60	125
LAKE TANKERS PER MONTH	219	331
ELECTRIC POWER CONSUMPTION 6/D	238,000	672,000
DRINKING WATER CONSUMPTION 6/D	43,122	352,226
CASHIER'S OFFICE BUSINESS \$/MONTH	163,200	1268,000
RETAIL COMMISSARY SALES \$/MONTH	22,770	201,210
WHOLESALE COMMISSARY INVENTORIES \$/MONTH	44,076	880,836
TOTAL NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES	2043	7425
CHILDREN BORN AT LAGO HOSPITAL	18	194
POPULATION OF ARUBA	17,616	39,318

TOTAL CRUDE RUN DURING  
L. G. SMITH'S ADMINISTRATION  
1,021,757,000 BARRELS



Wilmis Bookbuck



Mr. Smith displays a sample symbolic of the billionth barrel of crude during Lago's Billion Barrel Day ceremony March 15, 1945.

Above at left, a recent portrait.

Above at right, some interesting old-and-new statistics collected for a memorial booklet that was presented to Mr. Smith.



He swings at a high one to open a recent softball league.



Aruba No. 1 license plate was his for many years. James Hart is the chauffeur.

F. S. Campbell, then assistant general manager, pins a 30-year service emblem on Mr. Smith June 16, 1945.



He presents a silver medal to Arnold Juri of Colony Service football team January 20, 1946.



He is called "a jolly good fellow" at a Christmas party in 1942.



With top-ranking U. S. Navy officers of Aruba and Curaçao, he leads a morale meeting at the Community Church during the war.



In a surprise announcement the evening of August 3, the Lieutenant Governor, Dr. L. C. Kwartz, stated that Aruba's "Raad van Politie" (island-council) had voted that day to give the name of "L. G. Smith" to a boulevard soon to be built. Symbolic of the close connection between Oranjestad and Lago, he said, the new thoroughfare will extend from the harbor area east along the waterfront to join the main road where it leaves the city in the direction of San Nicolas and the refinery.

Dia 3 di Augustus Gesaghebber di Aruba, Dr. L. C. Kwartz a participá cu Eilandsraad di Aruba a vota e dia ey pa duna e nomber di "L. G. Smith" na un boulevard cu lo worde trahá pronto. Como símbolo di e conexión entre Oranjestad y Lago el a bisa, e boulevard lo corre di waf, sigui p'ariba na canto di lamer pa uni mas alewe cu e caminda grandi pa San Nicolas y refinaria.



The opposite page, in observance of L. G. Smith's departure from Aruba, recalls a few scenes from his life and work here in past years. This page shows some highlights among his final honors and tributes. Above (standing second from left) he requests Governor Kestel (far right) to express his thanks to Her Majesty, Queen Wilhelmina, for the honor conferred upon him with the decoration of Commander of the Order of Oranje-Nassau. "The thing's you mention", he said, "have been accomplished by the Lago organization and not by me alone. I have a very high regard for the people of Aruba and shall always remember our experiences here with a great deal of pleasure and satisfaction". In the foreground, thanks to camera, are J. Noordman of Shell, Henry Egan of the Legislature, and Lago Comptroller T. C. Brown. Around the circle to Mr. Smith's left is Mrs. Kestel, the Governor's aide, Lt. Governor Kwartz, and Mrs. Smith.



The pictures below show a picnic of which farewell gifts included a Dutch kruiden a silver tea service, a dice cup for his lighter moments (far right), and a laptop watch for Mrs. Smith from the Women's Club. Presented by Mrs. W. Ruffels. At lower right corner, Curaçao's Governor Kestel makes the principal speech of the evening. With seriousness that was spiced with traditional humor, he aptly stated the Territory's sense of loss in Mr. Smith's transfer to New York.



A civic-minded man, Mr. Smith has always been ready to assist any worthy community effort. At left he lays a stone during the cornerstone ceremony of the new Methodist Church August 1, 1944, he addresses the congregation, stating his strong belief in religion's important function of building and sustaining the moral character of a community.

En conexión cu L. G. Smith su blemento di Aruba, nos ta recordá algun escena di su bida y traha durante e último añanan elha e aña en frente. E página aki ta muestra algun di su honorama final y despedidanan. Bata e portel mas ariba e ta pidiendo Gobernador Kestel di gradici La Reina Wilhelmina pa e honor grandi cu el a ricibi cu su condecoración como Eilander den Orde di Oranje Nassau. "Ear loque ha a montá", el a bisa, "ta omen cu e organización di Lago a logra y no nos mes. Mi ta aprecia bendicion di Aruba mesha y sempre ta mi recordá mi experientianan aki cu mesha placer y satisfisccion". Di izdo nos ta mira J. Noordman di Shell, Henry Egan di Staten y T. C. Brown di Accounting. Ha bendre robes di Mr. Smith, Sra. Kestel, Adjudante di Gobernador, Gesaghebber Kwartz y Sra. Smith.

Ariba, na banda robes, Sr. Smith ta pene un piedra durante e ceremonial di ponemiento di piedra p'riba e Misa di Metodistaan dia 1 di Augustus. Aki Aruba, e ta papia na e grupo, di un b'oramento b'oro. Un importancia di religion pa por traha y mantene karakter moral di un pueblo.

E portabonan aki nos ta muestra un picnic di despedida, na cual regulacion a worde presentá. Mas abax na banda drecha Gobernador Kestel, ta papia e speech di mas importante di e stardi, lamentando Mr. Smith su blemento.



# AROUND THE PLANT



Humphrey MacDonald, of the Foundry, was married July 27, to Beatrice Beach. His friends are seen above presenting him with a cocktail set and as a gift to his bride they also gave him a wasty set. Hugh Matthews is making the presentation.

Clement St. Aubyn smiles his pleasure as he receives a wedding gift July 24 from Robert Watt, general supervisor of clubs. The gift, a complete portable bar, was from Lags Club employees and Lags Club office employees. It was accompanied by a printed card honoring the occasion. Mr. St. Aubyn was married two days later to Miss Lillian Hill.

Surrounded by his friends at the Plant Commissary, Augusto Reyes is seen below receiving a wedding gift. Commensary Manager Frank Scovell is handing a handsome cocktail set to a smiling gift. Augusto was married to Gertrude Victoria Decker in the Church of San Francisco in Oranjestad, July 21. A reception followed the wedding at Seacouveria where the couple plans to live.



"C.Y.I." From page 1 signboard over old Equipment Inspection office — vicinity of Poly Plant.

Harold Joseph, Fla. 15.00, protective measures against rain — Easo Heights Quartermaster.

George Arsegado, Fla. 20.00, device for insect trap for Hydroponics area.

Clement Soobrian, Fla. 15.00, installation of glass panel or porthole in flush panel door of T.S.D. stenographic department.

Martin Richardson, Fla. 20.00, install guards over moving parts in elevator house — PCAR.

Carmelo Semelcer, Fla. 20.00, install gas bleed pressure gauge on panel No. 15 — PCAR.

Aquiles Leon, Fla. 15.00, install step ladder against CO2 gas storage tank south of Main Electric Shop.

Herman Henney, Fla. 20.00, install glass panels in doors at Hospital.

Mohammed Rohoman, Fla. 10.00, relocate shut-off valves on airlines to No. 1 and No. 2 L. P. air compressor regulators.

Mohammed Rohoman, Fla. 10.00, install emergency stop switches — panel board — No. 1 and No. 2 H. P. air compressor.

Merlin Fiek, Fla. 15.00, rotate subway grating 90° in separator area—Combination Units 1 to 8.

Dominico Christaans, Fla. 15.00, provide goggles to employees for taking battery readings.

Ivan Baebus, Fla. 10.00, install light over or relocate telephone at Lago Heights Dining Hall.

Edwin Niekop, Fla. 10.00, install vent at sewer in front of No. 9 High Pressure Still.

Reginald Hartogh, Fla. 15.00, install extra blockvalve on debut, overhead drum vent gas to burner line — LKAT.

Thomas Quashie, Fla. 10.00, install

Arnold Lewis, of the Central Tool Room, said goodbye to his wife July 20. Mrs. Lewis went to New York for a one year course in beautician work.

Abdul Syed will leave his desk in No. 1 Powerhouse August 19 to take his long vacation in the States. With him will go his daughter Doreen, who plans to enter the Flinter Business School in Boston.

Walter Martin of the Field Machinists, married Almada Pilgrins of St. Vincent, July 27. The couple plans to live in Oranjestad.

John Francisco, Easo News reporter for the Colony Commissary, is off on a two-month vacation to his home in British Guiana where he will be reunited with his two children who are in school there. John will return to work about the first of October.

Calvin Haasell, Easo News reporter for the M. & C. Office, will leave for a four-week vacation August 19. Calvin intends to spend his time here in Aruba.

salt water line at slop operator pump-house.

Reginald Hartogh, Fla. 10.00, change-water draw-off line on debutanizer-overhead and splitter overhead drums — LEAR.

Alpha Huckleman, Fla. 20.00, revised system of handling "ships' cases" at Plant Dispensary.

Byron Richards, Fla. 10.00, install drinking facilities at Utility Dock.

Fernando Richards, Fla. 20.00, rubber stamp for use at Dispensary.

Albert Pomeroy, Fla. 15.00, eliminate safety hazard at 12" segregation valve in tanker line at Loading Pumphouse.

**L.G.S. TRANSFER** Cont. from page 1 Gordon's office. The following year he was appointed general manager of the Aruba refinery, arriving here October 19, 1933. On June 6, 1934 he became a director of the Lago Oil & Transport Co.; he was elected vice-president February 24, 1942, and president July 31, 1944.

Mr. Horigan joined the Company in November, 1920, starting work in the Engineering department of the Transcontinental Oil Company at Tampico, Mexico. From 1921 to 1928 he was in the General Engineering department, occupied with both office and construction work.

In 1928 he was sent to Cuba to supervise refinery construction work there, and the following year was made superintendent. In May, 1936 he was transferred to the Argentine as president of Cia. Nativa de Petroleos, the Argentine refining organization. He came to Aruba December 7, 1942 as assistant general manager.

O. Minguas came to Aruba in 1930 as assistant process foreman in the Light Oils Finishing Department. Since then he has been connected with practically all of the plants or operations in the Process Department. He rose to be division superintendent in the Process Department's Western Division, and later held the same position in the Eastern Division. He was made process superintendent in 1945.

He recently returned from a training period at Harvard Business School where, in line with the Company policy of developing leaders from within the organization, he took an executive training course.

F. E. Griffin joined the Mexican Petroleum Company at New Haven, Conn. February 6, 1928. He came to Aruba in September, 1929 as a 2nd class oil inspector, and the following month became a 2nd class helper at the Pressure Still. He progressed through various posts, and in 1936 became assistant general foreman of the Pressure Still, and then general foreman. In March, 1937 he was made general foreman of L.O.F., and in 1939 assistant division superintendent of L.O.F. When the present change was made he was serving as division superintendent (Western Division).

F. E. Repath started with the Mexican Petroleum Company of Louisiana at Destrehan August 1, 1921. In May, 1923 he transferred to Huasteca at Tampico, where he remained for 15 years. In August, 1938 he came to Aruba as process foreman L.O.F., and has been serving as assistant division superintendent since February, 1945.



Above: F. E. Griffin, newly-appointed process superintendent, below, E. E. Repath, new division superintendent (Western Division).



## Long Service Awards

July, 1946

### 20-Year Buttons



Condie Keck, M. & C. Admin. Employed June, 1926 All service in Aruba



Condie Keck, Marine Wharves Employed June, 1928 All service in Aruba

Jan Ras

A wharfinger in Marine Wharves, Jan Ras received a 20-Year button in June, but was not available for a picture. Employed in June, 1925, all of his service has been in Aruba.

### 10-Year Buttons

Lionel Deas  
Dombelo Maduro  
Ernest Hassell  
Irad Benjamin  
James Young  
Barbaro Maduro  
Vernon Homer  
Pedro Eduardo  
John MacDonald  
Pedro Kronendijk  
Cornelius Richardson

Garage  
Pipe  
Dry Dock  
Electrical  
Marine  
Marine Wharves  
Rec. & Shipping  
L.O.F.  
T.S.D.  
Golf Club  
Lago Police

### SCHEDULE OF PAYDAYS

Semi-Monthly Payroll  
August 1-15 Friday, August 23  
Monthly Payroll  
July 1-31 Friday, August 9

"Traffic in Aruba", a 16-page summary of Company traffic regulations, Government motor vehicle laws, and the Government and Company requirements for driver's licenses, is now available at the Lago Police Office.

The book may be used as a guide by those who drive cars or as an instructional handbook for those desiring to obtain licenses. In addition to the traffic laws and license requirements, and a section on the pass system, it contains all the international road signs used here in full color and some cartoons illustrating dangerous practices while driving.

Anyone desiring one of these pamphlets may get one by applying in person at the Lago Police Office.

# THERE IS

a right way

and

a wrong way



The picture at the top shows a good type of simple connection — a very short line to drain in order to get a representative sample. The second picture shows a poor type of sample connection — arrows point to the long extension of line from which oil must be drained away to the sewer before a good sample of product travels from the tank line to the sample outlet.

Draining this line each time a sample is taken may lose only a few gallons a day, but there are hundreds of sample connections in the plant, and thousands of samples are taken every day. Small losses at points like this add up to large losses in a very short period of time.

The Refinery Loss Committee is studying this form of loss, but with countless possibilities for waste throughout the refinery, the committee asks the cooperation of all employees. Men in the Process Department are cooperating. However, an employee need not be in the Process Department to detect losses: in recent weeks five reports of serious losses have been turned in by men in other departments.

## Surinam Club Celebrates

A "Fancy Fair" is the title attached to the four-day festivities slated at the Surinam Clubrooms August 23, 24, 25, and 31.

On the program will be pageants and tableaux depicting the various races and nationalities represented in the Caribbean area in their folk costumes. Included too, will be a magician, a fortune teller, and the "Human Spiler".

Music for the celebration will be furnished by two bands, Spens's Jivers, and the Latino Band. A good time is promised by Surinam Club members to all who come.

Picnics are picnics, but when a party of young folks takes its own hand (services donated by the Silver Rhythm Orchestra) to furnish the music and leaves the Colony in a bus especially loaned by M. Viana for the purpose, the next thing that might be expected would be that they would build their own picnic site. It proved to be unnecessary, however, for the use of his Palm Beach cabana was loaned August 4 by Captain J. Beaulon. The festivities progressed through the day with all present enjoying themselves immensely.

Announced August 9 was a "Coin Your Ideas" award of Fls. 200 to Lazlo Boros for a suggestion that reduced a serious loss to the refinery in the loading of ships.

It was found that loading lines extending to elevations above low level line in the tanks were drained to the ships without those quantities being measured as part of the ship's cargo. The installation of block valves beyond the tanks, as suggested by Mr. Boros, prevents such loss.

The refinery Loss Committee believes there is a fertile field for worthwhile "C.Y.I." suggestions in the program of reducing refinery losses, and encourages all employees to think along these lines.

## E.A.C. Sub-Committees And Officers Chosen

The Employees' Advisory Committee elected its officers and appointed sub-committees for the coming year in a caucus meeting July 26. The chair for the coming term of office will be occupied by B. K. Chand of the Storehouse. Acting as vice-chairman will be L. Weyer of the Labor Department, and as secretary, C. Bishop of Colony Operations (M. & C.).

On the Cost of Living Sub-Committee, which discusses with Management any problems arising on this subject, are J. De Abreu (chairman), A. Kalloo, C. Hernandez, T. Douglas, J. Koolman, and D. Solomon. To run the activities at the Lago Sport Park, the Sub-Committee includes B. Vlapre as chairman, F. Dirks, R. Jallah, J. De Vries, E. Huckleman, and G. Lawrence. The Complimentary Sub-Committee will be composed of R. van Biarcum as chairman, C. Abraham, A. Ramji, J. Nunes, and C. Hernandez.

The E.A.C. representative on the Plant Safety Committee will be B. Vlapre. The elected representatives on the E.A.C. Safety Sub-Committee are R. Robles, A. Obispo, and D. Vlaun. The Safety Sub-Committee is a joint committee with both elected and Management appointed representatives, which discusses and recommends measures to correct various safety hazards.

Announced August 10 was the engagement of Miss Oris Williams of the Utilities Administration Office, and Woodward Mills of the Instrument Department. The date for the wedding has not yet been set.

## SPORT PARK CRICKET

Team Standings (Standings as of August 4)

Eastern League		
Team	Games played	Pts.
Cambridge	2	6
Dominica	2	3
West Indian	2	2
Victoria	2	2
Golden Arrow	3	1

Western League		
Team	Games played	Pts.
Grenada	2	5
British Guiana	2	5
St. Eustatius	3	2
Philipsburg	1	0
Sport Park	2	0

June 30  
Philipsburg 71  
St. Eustatius 127

July 7  
Golden Arrow 141 (at 6 p.m.)  
Dominica 191 for all (draw)

July 14  
British Guiana 209 for 5  
Sport Park 156

July 21  
Cambridge 47 and 63 for 3 wickets.  
Victoria 38 and 68

July 28  
Grenada 102 and 56 for 4  
St. Eustatius 38 and 46

August 4  
West Indian 234 for 9  
Golden Arrow 139

### Betting Averages

	Total Innings	Not out	Best	Avg.
W. Smith	53	3	55	93
M. Dairydale	20	0	91	56
J. Cox	142	4	67	47
T. Johnson	15	0	43	37
G. Sady	10	0	82	32
S. Beebeus	77	3	48	25

### Bowling Averages

	Stvs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.	Avg.
K. Perrette	5.1	1	11	5	2.93
C. Escott	12	0	8	4	2.00
C. Worre	21.4	2	31	18	4.6
L. Alexander	12	0	8	4	2.07
W. Smith	10.7	1	50	3	5.56
W. Johnson	8.2	0	9	2	4.50
C. Bustin	4	1	21	3	7

## New Korfball Knockout Started

Korfball fans should see plenty of action when the beginning of September rolls around. The Aruba Korfball Bond has announced another knockout competition, with a cup donated by J. H. Croes of the Aurora Bar as the prize.

The schedule:  
September 1  
Victoria vs. Xerxes (Game 'A')  
September 7  
Sparta vs. Falcon (Game 'B')  
September 15  
Jong Holland vs. T.O.F. (Game 'C')  
September 22  
Winner 'A' vs. Winner 'B' (Game 'D')  
September 27  
Winner 'C' vs. Winner 'D'  
All of the games will be played on the Jong Holland Field at Santa Cruz.

## Four-Way Football League Starts

With the opening matches played at Lago Heights and Santa Cruz, a new four-team football competition started August 11. It is called the Viana Round Robin Competition and a cup donated by M. Viana will go to the winning team at the end of play. The four teams battling for the cup are British, Guiana, Surinam, Trinidad, and Jong Holland. A committee composed of the manager and captain of each team has been appointed and is carrying on the work of the league.

In the first matches British Guiana beat Trinidad 5-1 at Lago Heights Field, and at Santa Cruz, Surinam beat Jong Holland by 2-0, August 11.

The remainder of the schedule:  
August 18  
Jong Holland vs. Trinidad (Lago Heights)  
Surinam vs. B. G. (Santa Cruz)  
August 25  
Trinidad vs. Surinam (Lago Heights)  
Jong Holland vs. B. G. (Santa Cruz)

Below is the Lago Sport Park sub-committee of the Employees' Advisory Committee, which met for the first time last week to discuss arrangements for the August 31 Opened. Left to right are: George Lawrence, Sidney Koolman, Boris Vlapre, Jani deVries, and Rupert Salas. Missing from the picture is Frederick Dirks.



Jong Holland, shown above, and Surinam (below) are two of the teams which will compete in the newly formed football competition between B. G., Trinidad, Surinam and Jong Holland. Taken some time before the competition started, this picture shows the teams during a game which ended in a 1-1 draw July 28. Playing for Jong Holland were, back row, E. Lopez, M. Croes, R. Croes, G. Serey, F. Croes (chairman), J. Penn, M. Vries, L. Croes, M. Maduro, in front are J. Beaulon, F. Maduro, L. Croes, J. Albert, T. Croes, and L. Weyer. Included in the Surinam team are J. Leyener (Mgr.), E. Judo, A. Lo-Ning-Hing, M. Najar, W. Eshelvis, S. Malabar, F. Hoop, J. Dastier, and H. van Boven. In the front row are G. Strong, H. Strong, M. Najar, J. Sja-A-Khan, A. Naresonbut, Samuel Roijrop took the picture.



## Rapid Progress Made On 67 New H.B.F. Homes

An announcement recently released by the Home Building Foundation brought news to employees on the waiting list for the purchase of the 67 six-room houses being constructed in San Nicolas by the Foundation.

The new development lies directly north of the Lago Sport Park on a desirable piece of San Nicolas property, and is laid out in lots of approximately 400 square meters. The houses will face wide paved roads and sidewalks installed by the Government for the Home Building Foundation.

They are to be sold to employees who are on the H.B.F. waiting list, and will cost about Fls. 7,800. A minimum cash down-payment of one-third is required, with the balance handled by mortgage with the Aruba Bank. The houses will not be rented. Houses offered to anyone on the waiting list who does not wish to purchase at this time will be offered to the next person on the list.

Read new homes, with wide paved streets and sidewalks, in what the Home Building Foundation offers to prospective purchasers of the 67 houses being built north of the Sport Park. Construction is going ahead rapidly.



## Radar and Diving Chamber To Be Used in Search for Oil

Petroleum scientists, equipped with a diving chamber and using radar to plot their positions, soon will launch a search for oil in the rock and sand beneath the surface of 2,000 square miles of water in the northwestern Bahamas.

The exploration will be conducted by Standard Oil Company (Bahamas) Limited, a subsidiary of Standard Oil Company (New Jersey), in the shallow waters north of Grand Bahamas Island. East of West Palm Beach, Florida, and separated from the mainland by the relatively deep water of the Florida straits, the site is in a section of the Atlantic Ocean where the water in most places is less than 20 feet deep.

The engineers will sink the diving chamber at various points in the area to map the ocean floor. The diving chamber will house an operator and a gravity meter, an instrument that measures the pull of gravity, furnishes indications of the type of rocks below the ocean bed and indirectly provides information as to the presence of oil. If geophysical reports are favorable, oil over-water rigs will be erected later for drilling tests.

On the surface, the use of radar will permit the geophysicists to plot the site of all tests with improved accuracy. Radar targets 50 feet high will be set up at strategic points in the exploration area. These targets, picked up on the radar screen aboard the equipment boat, will enable the navigator to determine his position.

The diving chamber to be used is cylindrical in shape, six feet high and weighs about two tons. It is equipped with various safety devices, including a safety hatch and a compressed air blower which can be used to free the chamber if it becomes mixed in mud. The operator in the chamber is in constant telephone communication with his associates aboard ship.

In the search for possible reservoirs of petroleum beneath the blue waters



## Progreso Grandi Ribas Casnan Di Home Building Foundation

Recentemente a' anuncio huni pa Home Building Foundation Fondo pa Traha Cas) a duna bon noticia na vemplesadon riba lista pa cumpramento di e 67 casnan di 6 kamber cu e Foundation ta trahando na San Nicolas.

E lugar ta net pa Noord di Lago Sport Park riba un terreno agradabel, parti na pianan di mas o menos 400 metro cuadro cada uno. E casnan lo ta na canto di caminda y acoranan hantico cu Gobierno lo traha pa Home Building Foundation.

Nan lo wordo bendi na empleadonan cu a riba e lista y nan lo costa mas o menos Fls. 7,800. Alomeno un tercera parti mester wordo paga unbes y e resto lo wordo regis cu hypothec cerca Aruba Bank. E casnan lo no wordo geru. Si un empleado riba lista no ta desea di compra un cas awor, e cas lo wordo ofreci na esun cu ta sigui riba e lista.

## ESSO-News

Featuring on the cover a color photograph of F. W. Abrams, S. O. (N.J.) board chairman, a recent issue of Business Week reviews the "Standard Oil" story, tracing the history and evolution of the various companies that were units of Standard Oil before the 1911 dissolution.

Noting that there is abundant evidence that the companies are in competition with each other, the article points out that, despite efforts by each company to emphasize its individuality, three-fourths of the public fail to distinguish among them. A separate "box" lists the foreign operations of some of the companies, showing certain instances where they are associated in a common venture.

As to the Rockefeller interests in the companies, the article reveals that the Securities and Exchange Commission lists only one instance — Standard of Ohio — in which holdings of the Rockefeller family, trusts or foundations exceed ten per cent.

Eugene Holman, Jersey president, has been named to the Jersey 15-man committee to study and recommend "the type of organization and scope of authority and function of the new National Petroleum Council". The Council, on which Mr. Holman, and Hurlbut president H. C. Wiers will serve, was organized at the suggestion of President Truman as an advisory group to the Department of the Interior's new Oil and Gas Division.

of the Bahamas, the oil men are using a vessel formerly operated by the Canadian Navy in anti-submarine work. The 112-foot ship, the Stans, is one of the first craft ever to be equipped with radar in the search of oil.

## Gerente General di Lago L. G. Smith Ta Bai Despues Di 13 Anja na Aruba

Tanto ta Aruba como Lago a perde un homber prominente dia 11 di Augustus ora cu Gerente General L. G. Smith a bai. Despues di a completá casi 13 anja dirigiendo un di e refinieranan di mas grandi di mundo, awor e ta bai ocupá un puesto den oficina di Standard Oil Company (N. J.) na New York, unda lo e coördina construcion di un refinieria nobo na Venezuela y tambe otro actividatnan di e refinieria di e Compania na estrañerha.

Sr. Smith ta un figura bien-conocido den hopi aspectonan di bida di lala y di Compania. E tabata activo den Rotary for di tempo cu el a wordo formá na Aruba y dia el a bai e tabata su presidente.

Sucesor di Sr. Smith como Gerente General ta J. J. Horigan, angur Sub-Gerente General. Den un reunion di Directoran cu a tuma lugar dia 6 di Augustus, Sr. Smith a tuma su retiro como director y presidente y Sr. Horigan a wordo elegi como Presidente di Lago Oil & Transport Co.



Plans for the construction of a new \$65,000,000 refinery, one of the largest and most modern in Venezuela, have been announced by Creole Petroleum Corporation. It is expected the refinery will be located on Paraguaná Island in Amunay Bay in western Venezuela. The Amunay plant, originally planned for Turfano, will have an estimated capacity of 60,000 barrels a day. The new plant brings Creole's total daily refinery capacity to an estimated 120,000 barrels a day. The company's Caripito refinery in eastern Venezuela has a capacity of approximately 50,000 barrels a day, while the La Sainia refinery in Maracaibo has a capacity of about 10,000 barrels a day.

## Jersey Regains I. G. Patents

A final decree requiring the Alien Property Custodian to return to Standard Oil Company (N. J.) and three affiliates all patents and patent rights acquired from I. G. Farbenindustrie prior to the outbreak of the war in Europe in 1939, was entered in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York July 6.

The decree climaxed a civil action brought by Jersey, Standard Oil Development Company, Standard Catalytic Company, and Jasco, Inc. to recover patents and shares of stock which were seized by the Alien Property Custodian in 1942 and 1944.

Complete ownership of 368 of the patents, 46 per cent of the total number involved, was awarded to Jersey. Jersey was also awarded exclusive licensing rights in the oil refining field with respect to an additional 24 per cent (176 patents) a total of 70 per cent of the patents involved in the suit.



With appropriate hymns and prayers, the Methodist Church held the ceremonies of Christ Church in San Nicholas August 1. The Reverend Dr. E. A. Adams, V. G. B. Barrett, G. C. Crickson, and Marcellus Michelson participated in the ceremonies with the Methodist Church's Reverend E. Howard Thomas, and the organists, Mrs. A. B. Woodard, and Mrs. G. C. Woodard. In the service, Howard (see picture above), before a view of the large congregation that joined in the service, Smith, E. B. Woodard, and E. Tregler of Lago's management.









# Surinam Club Holds Gala Fair

Featuring games of chance, handicraft articles from Surinam, and a lavish display of striking costumes worn by actual representatives of the many nationalities to be found at home, the Surinam Club's four-day fair last month drew large and enthusiastic crowds.

The fair started August 23 with an overflow audience in attendance. The doors opened on the tableaux and costumes and nationalities pictured at right. A. Schutte represented Lt. Governor Kwartas for the opening address, and after a welcome from J. Simoon, club president, the crowd moved out to the fair-grounds.

The theme throughout the fair was the wide range of nationalities and cultures found in Surinam. Costumes re-

presented Indonesians (Java and Celebes), Hindus, Spaniards, Netherlanders, Chinese, Kotto Mission (whose custom date from the time they were freed slaves), and Djokas (former runaway slaves). A similar feature was the sale of food native to many of these groups.

Food and drink were plentiful, games of chance were numerous and varied, and a large dance floor rounded out the entertainment. Well over 3,000 spectators were in attendance the first three-nights of the fair, and it was rescheduled for a final evening on August 31.

Henry Nassy (of No. 3 Laboratory) was in charge of all arrangements as head of the club's sub-committee for organizing the fair.



At left, Khabsaal Yehora (Sintmae Orroy), Olga Singh (T.S.D.), and Schutte Gampoor (Sitarhoua), are costumedly chosen from their ordinary workday appearance. Left bottom, Wim van Heuzenrooy, who was the littled feature in the tableaux, has some acquaintance with the help of his father, Willem van Heuzenrooy of the Lago Fara Department. Left bottom, one of the most popular health care the one where you get a very fancy or very ordinary prize depending on which string you pulled.

At right, fair-gone of mire the costumes shown in the top picture. Right center, the costumed nationalities shown with an exhibition dance. Right bottom, a mixture of national dress, including, left to right, Eric Assaroubaad, Bouda Kemperveen, Aggie Weibak, Petra Nurie, and Tessie Brank.



Die 31 di Augustus, A. Schutte, representant di Grootvader Kwartas a hebr i Faria na Surinam Club, Dringee di a discurso di bienvenido di J. Simoon, presidente, a multitud di herencia a unanimo bama parti di e cantidad di weganan di suerte, baltamento, rulle, miramente di suerte, etc. Comiendo y bebida tabata na cantidad y padrednan na labata bato man pa alredo e cantidad di herencia, cu tabata monta na 3,000 cada un di a peme tres anochinan. Die 31 di Augustus e Faria a habra habri pa ultimo bez. Una e herencia abri na par mira algun hasta di e gran cantidad di cashaan per donacionnan ta aministracion.





Above, the grandstand was packed and much of the field was ringed with standing spectators. In one of the Spart Park's most crowded days August 21



A solid mass of little girls rush Joseph Watts, Jr

Long-legged J. Cox clears the bamboo easily at 5-0 to win the high jump



You've heard of people jumping for joy—here G. Hodge does it on a bicycle (note his front wheel) as he wins the cycle event for races.



# Olympiad -- C

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No Olympiad layout would be complete without a shot of H. Jackson leading his competitors by several yards. Here he wins the 100 yard dash final.



The batons are passed in the first round of the 4x40 yard relay.



The apprentices run almost as fast as their seniors as they do on feet. That's high-jumper G passing them at far right.



Above, the six football apprentices jump with the starter's gun in the 100 yard final. Track officials Grarp Lawrence and Joseph Watts are in the background.



This wasn't part of the Olympiad, but made a striking picture as Ray Schultz and Gil with the Excelsior Brass Band out in front, paraded in Sea Hatties on the market Queen's Birthday.





High time in the 50 yard dash for girls under 15 last, having escaped being crushed.

The big beam on top of the gravity pole fell victim to the scientific methods of L. James and O. Weaver, shown at right in one of their early attacks.



Below, nine men at Spanish Lagoon start the tough six-mile run against wind in the cross-country event. The lineup includes J. Lashley, F. Weaver, I. Minpa, J. Antonio, J. Thomas, R. Henry, M. Lopez, A. Lewis, and S. Cowle.

## Men's Birthday--1946

more prizes, more more spectators. The Birthday Olympiad is the biggest ever. Anyone who helped to

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- McGibbon, J. deVries, M. Lashley
- Butta, F. O. Strain
- C. Bristol, Federico Acosta
- Bruce
- R. B. Juhl, C. B. A. Bishop
- Edwards, C. Odor, V. Atanunthoda
- St. Clair Jacobs, C. Hassell, F. Gomes
- Watthews
- H. Brereton, J. Walker, P. G. Branch
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The sack race provided plenty of amusement for the spectators. Track supervisor Bertie Wagner watches at right.

## Softballers Take Field Again

The Easo Softball Competition for 1946, a ten-team round robin tournament, with a prize cup donated by Booker Bros., Distillers, of British Guiana, started August 18. The games will be played on various fields throughout the island.

The tournament will be played as a round robin until all the matches are played, at which time the four teams having the best records will play a knockout in order to pick the winner. The cup was secured through the efforts of C. Robee of Personnel. The ten competing teams are Lago Heights, Victoria, R.C.A., Dutch Army, San Lucas, Aruba Jrs., Sport Park, San Nicolas Jr., Hollandia, and Caribe

August 18	Lago Heights	10
	Caribe	6
	R.C.A.	5
	Victoria	3
	Dutch Army	22
	San Lucas	4
	Hollandia	4
	San Nicolas Jrs	1
	Aruba Jrs.	9
	Sport Park (default)	0
August 25	San Nicolas Jrs.	4
	Lago Heights	3
	Aruba Jrs.	10
	Victoria	0
	Caribe	9
	Dutch Army (default)	0
	Hollandia	9
	San Lucas	7
	R.C.A.	9
	Sport Park	2

## Cricket Scores

August 4	Philipsburg 149
	Sport Park 62 and 103 for 6 wks
August 18	Cambridge 146
	Dominica 43 and 50 for 9 (2nd inn.)
Game played under protest	
August 25	British Guiana 75 and 74 for 4
	Grenada 67 and 102 for 5 declared.



The sack-race prizes displayed below are typical of the 80 prizes (approximately \$10.00 worth, furnished by the Company) for which the races ran.



Dena Sloterdijk of the Personnel is on her 10-weeks long vacation, staying with her sisters Stephanie and Stella in Parkersburg, West Virginia and Jamaica, Long Island respectively.

Kenny Khan of the Storehouse married Lela Maud Ashford of the Hospital July 10. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. H. Thomas in the Methodist Church in San Nicolas and the couple is now living at Essoville 75.

Patrolman L. F. Brooks of the Lago Police Department was married to Miss Eliza Meyers at the Roman Catholic Church in San Nicolas August 21.

## Olympiad Prizewinners

100 yard dash: 1st L. Minpa, 2nd J. Thomas (100 yds), 3rd J. Thomas, 4th J. Antonio, 5th S. Cowle, 6th Huckleman, 7th M. Lopez, 8th F. Weaver, 9th O. Weaver, 10th J. Lashley, 11th J. Antonio, 12th J. Thomas, 13th J. Antonio, 14th J. Thomas, 15th J. Antonio, 16th J. Thomas, 17th J. Antonio, 18th J. Thomas, 19th J. Antonio, 20th J. Thomas.

200 yard: 1st J. Antonio, 2nd J. Thomas, 3rd M. Lopez, 4th J. Antonio, 5th J. Thomas, 6th S. Cowle, 7th Huckleman, 8th F. Weaver, 9th O. Weaver, 10th J. Lashley, 11th J. Antonio, 12th J. Thomas, 13th J. Antonio, 14th J. Thomas, 15th J. Antonio, 16th J. Thomas, 17th J. Antonio, 18th J. Thomas, 19th J. Antonio, 20th J. Thomas.

400 yard: 1st J. Antonio, 2nd J. Thomas, 3rd M. Lopez, 4th J. Antonio, 5th J. Thomas, 6th S. Cowle, 7th Huckleman, 8th F. Weaver, 9th O. Weaver, 10th J. Lashley, 11th J. Antonio, 12th J. Thomas, 13th J. Antonio, 14th J. Thomas, 15th J. Antonio, 16th J. Thomas, 17th J. Antonio, 18th J. Thomas, 19th J. Antonio, 20th J. Thomas.

800 yard: 1st J. Antonio, 2nd J. Thomas, 3rd M. Lopez, 4th J. Antonio, 5th J. Thomas, 6th S. Cowle, 7th Huckleman, 8th F. Weaver, 9th O. Weaver, 10th J. Lashley, 11th J. Antonio, 12th J. Thomas, 13th J. Antonio, 14th J. Thomas, 15th J. Antonio, 16th J. Thomas, 17th J. Antonio, 18th J. Thomas, 19th J. Antonio, 20th J. Thomas.

1600 yard: 1st J. Antonio, 2nd J. Thomas, 3rd M. Lopez, 4th J. Antonio, 5th J. Thomas, 6th S. Cowle, 7th Huckleman, 8th F. Weaver, 9th O. Weaver, 10th J. Lashley, 11th J. Antonio, 12th J. Thomas, 13th J. Antonio, 14th J. Thomas, 15th J. Antonio, 16th J. Thomas, 17th J. Antonio, 18th J. Thomas, 19th J. Antonio, 20th J. Thomas.

3200 yard: 1st J. Antonio, 2nd J. Thomas, 3rd M. Lopez, 4th J. Antonio, 5th J. Thomas, 6th S. Cowle, 7th Huckleman, 8th F. Weaver, 9th O. Weaver, 10th J. Lashley, 11th J. Antonio, 12th J. Thomas, 13th J. Antonio, 14th J. Thomas, 15th J. Antonio, 16th J. Thomas, 17th J. Antonio, 18th J. Thomas, 19th J. Antonio, 20th J. Thomas.

6400 yard: 1st J. Antonio, 2nd J. Thomas, 3rd M. Lopez, 4th J. Antonio, 5th J. Thomas, 6th S. Cowle, 7th Huckleman, 8th F. Weaver, 9th O. Weaver, 10th J. Lashley, 11th J. Antonio, 12th J. Thomas, 13th J. Antonio, 14th J. Thomas, 15th J. Antonio, 16th J. Thomas, 17th J. Antonio, 18th J. Thomas, 19th J. Antonio, 20th J. Thomas.

12800 yard: 1st J. Antonio, 2nd J. Thomas, 3rd M. Lopez, 4th J. Antonio, 5th J. Thomas, 6th S. Cowle, 7th Huckleman, 8th F. Weaver, 9th O. Weaver, 10th J. Lashley, 11th J. Antonio, 12th J. Thomas, 13th J. Antonio, 14th J. Thomas, 15th J. Antonio, 16th J. Thomas, 17th J. Antonio, 18th J. Thomas, 19th J. Antonio, 20th J. Thomas.

25600 yard: 1st J. Antonio, 2nd J. Thomas, 3rd M. Lopez, 4th J. Antonio, 5th J. Thomas, 6th S. Cowle, 7th Huckleman, 8th F. Weaver, 9th O. Weaver, 10th J. Lashley, 11th J. Antonio, 12th J. Thomas, 13th J. Antonio, 14th J. Thomas, 15th J. Antonio, 16th J. Thomas, 17th J. Antonio, 18th J. Thomas, 19th J. Antonio, 20th J. Thomas.

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# NEWS AND VIEWS

È perfetto chi lo mostra felice in tutto, non solo per il suo stato di salute, ma per il suo stato di salute. Non per niente che si veda un bel sorriso, qualche bacio di refettorio in un così bello stato di salute e a una in maniera un bel.



A preview of what is in store for Arabs in the not too distant future (according to past year's weather behavior) is shown here. Taken a few years ago, this shot of the refinery from the east end of the Lagoon shows the almost complete absence of leaves. Cane-like water and nearly perpendicular smoke columns emphasize the fact that the hot season is really in.



"Aristocrats incarnate" might be the title of the picture above. Lump, at left, and Dettl are the names they go by, but a search into their pedigrees reveals that Lump's last name is von Orlowhausen, son of a "Prince von Orlowhausen," and Dettl's mother was "Countess von der Neuhofen," the two dachshunds are owned by J. F. X. Auer, supervisor of the Dining Hall.

And vice versa to Mrs. "Lump" y "Dettl", dos caschi di roca cu si portatene se J. F. X. Auer di Dining Hall. Man a erce for issue non tin di erce che, puro tech man te salemente eho daim halte.



Such acrobatics aren't so hard, at least not when they're done with the ease and nonchalance Arie Carduner displays here. She and Bart Lancaster, both of University Studios, are seen at right covering up the back of Steve Menick.

Captivating an audience is hard work for some performers, but at left Terry Ritchey accomplishes it with the greatest of ease during the Jambor Essie Club's production "All Together" at the Essie Club August 12. Below, the cast is shown in the finale of the performance, which was produced almost entirely by Colby youngsters. Included are David Schmitt (producer and director), Roy Barbary, Libby Kanan, Barbara Helwig, Dotty Leonard, Bob Leonard, Elvira Macrina, Marjorie Morris, Clara Morris, Terry Ritchey, Patsy Ritchey, Sana Schmitt, Krista Schwartz, Barbara Spitz, Barbara Stubb, and Evelyn Wade. The pictures were taken by W. P. McDermott.



Above, artist Reynold De Freitas of T. S. D. Drafting shows his work to L. G. Smith. E cuadro pintado di un portret a lui cu algun dia pramo cu Mr. Smith a hot New York. E trestes te haca cu altrove (left di cast).



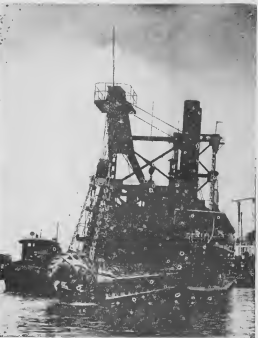


The Seagrave Grove on the north shore of Lago's concession was a campground for a week last month, when over 100 Boy Scouts of the Buenos Catholic Triplex, from Aruba, Bonaire, and Curacao held their annual A.B.C. encampment there. The boys had a full schedule of hikes, swimming, hours of Aruba, and studying to win Scout merit badges. On the Queen's Birthday they marched in the parade. The picture above shows them at evening assembly around the flagpole. At right above is a view of one portion of the camp, which was spaced over a wide area. At right below, a group of Scout leaders take time out from their duties of assisting the camp's leaders to prepare breakfast under the trees. The camp was in charge of Brother C. G. Gratians of Curacao. Lago assisted by providing the group with ice, water, and sanitary facilities, and erected the flagpole for them.



"Seagrave Grove" na costa pa Noord di concessión di Lago Tabata camp di scoutler Curacaes un siman luna pasa, ora cu 100 Padvinder di Triplexen Católico di Aruba, Bonaire y Curacao a tene nan campamento anual di A.B.C. E muchu-hondoroso tabata un programa grandi di wandadishon, landmanche, y studiamiento pa nan gane boton di merito di Padvinderman. Dia di Aqua di La Reina nan a marcher den paradenan. Riba e partret, scout aruba, nan ta mira nan gara rond di pale di bandera, mainta tempran. Abi 'riba, un bista di un parti di nan camp. Abi bax, algun Padvinder ta prepara cu preparacion di desayuno bax di mutacion. E camp tabata bax di direccion di Frater C. G. Gratians di Curacao. Lago a asisti nan proporcionando pa nan, Qs y Facilidatnan sanitaria y a traha e pale di bandera pa nan.

E partret aki bax muestra e "dijnteman" di e drage cu ta hawu fonde di e boat di San Nicolas, pa hacir nan hunde.

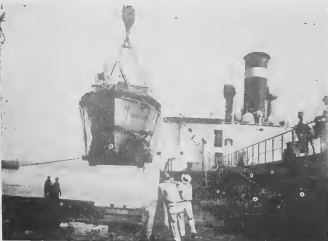


If the reader has ever wondered how a dredge chases up the hard bottom of a harbor, let him take a look at the business end of the dredge that has been a familiar sight in San Nicolas harbor for a number of months. While dynamite comes into play frequently for crushing up the bottom, the massive teeth chew up the material before it is sucked into the "sift" line. The present dredging job, one of the biggest since the harbor was opened 18 years ago, includes deepening the lagoon berths for the future use of bigger tugs, dredging a back for a new ocean tanker finger pier, and general cleaning up throughout the harbor.



George Arends, and his labor crew are unloading this launch to the deck of the "Paderobus" during trans-shipment from the United States to Venezuela. Formerly owned by the British Overseas Airways. It now gives into service among the Company's drilling rigs at Lake Maracaibo.

George Arends y su grupo di obreros ta hiba e boto aki abordo di "Paderobus" na nan a baxa di Maracaibo pa Venezuela. Antes e boto tabata pertenece na British Overseas Airways, y awor e ta bax den servicio di Compania na Lago di Maracaibo.



The preliminaries of wedding bells ringing twice last month are shown at right. In the top picture, reaching a wedding girl from her fellow employees at the Hospital switchboard, Lenner Meuders smiles her thanks as she accepts a pair of silver butter knives and a silver table lamp from Fides Oual. Lenner was married to Gerard Pappas of the Dutch Military Police (Lago Brigade) in the Catholic Church in San Nicolas August 1. A reception followed the wedding at Tank Farm 14. Below, his friends' wishes of good luck and a happy life went with this cash gift that Cado Abraham is presenting to his bride on the day before his marriage to Margaritha Vreugink. The wedding took place in the immaculate Cathedral in Santa Cruz, August 30.









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## It's been a long long time...

In 1940 Neil Griffin went to Sumatra, in the Netherlands East Indies, staying there from March 15 to August 15 to assist in starting up the new aviation gasoline facilities in the Company refinery at Palembang. In May, 1940, Neil Smith, a son of former General Manager L. G. Smith, addressed a high school graduation invitation to Neil in the East Indies.

After travelling half-way around the world, the invitation just missed Neil in Sumatra when he left in August, and between newly-formed censorship and big black war clouds on the horizon, the envelope quietly dropped out of sight and lay low for about two years.

In early 1942, of course, the little yellow men from Tokyo moved in on the East Indies, and the graduation announcement, a symbol of a peaceful kind of world, didn't have a chance. There is no telling now what concentration camp or death-camp office it was in, but it quietly gathered mildew for another three years, until the atomic bomb urged the Japs to go back to their own rice fields.

After V-J Day, of course, the Netherlands East Indies had a good many more important things to straighten out than an invitation that was practically old enough to go to school itself by that time. So it continued to bide its time for almost another year.

In June, 1946, it was sent to Holland, but travel was in its blood by that time, and the next month it turned up again in Batavia, N.E.I.

Last week, six and a half years after it was mailed, it dropped into Neil's postoffice box here, tired but happy. In all, it had travelled 46,762 miles, or an average speed of 7100 miles per year, or eight-tenths of a mile per hour.

## 37-Year Old B' Rouge Refinery Passes Billion Barrel Mark

The Baton Rouge refinery of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey announced August 29 that it had that day processed its one billionth barrel of crude oil. It was the first domestic refinery in the Jersey Standard company to achieve the figure.

The B. R. plant started operation in 1909, with 750 men and its chief business the making of kerosene. Today, 37 years later, it has 8,500 employees and is one of the Company's greatest domestic refineries.

(Lago processed its billionth barrel a year and a half ago, in March, 1945, after 16 years of operation, and is now well into the second billion).

## Long Service Awards

September, 1946

### 20-Year Buttons

Rudolph Croes, Pipe Department  
Employed: September, 1926  
All service in Aruba

Hendrik Weyer, Marine Wharves  
Employed: March, 1925  
All service in Aruba

### 10-Year Buttons

Romana Thyssen Col. Operations  
Cecil Annamethodo M. & C. Adm.  
Sivyanter Geerman Electrical  
Serelal Vianu Bolter  
Victor Elvinkler I.O.P.  
Augusto Kelly Press, Stills  
Jose Croes Gas Plant  
Thomas Walters Lago Police  
Joseph Brown Lago Police  
Cornelis Geerman Marine Wharves

## College Prof. Plans Book on Aruba-Curaçao

Dr. Royford Logan, head of the Department of History at Howard University, Washington, D.C., visited Aruba for a week early this month as part of his preparation for writing a book on the Curaçao Territory. His trip, taken during summer vacation at the Negro university, included a month's stay in Curaçao, where he made an extensive study of all historical records



Dr. Royford Logan

available. Dr. Logan, who was a Phi Beta Kappa (top honorary scholastic fraternity) during his higher education at Harvard University, has published several books of historical research. He became interested in Curaçao during the war, when for a time he was of assistance to Nelson Rockefeller's office of Pan American affairs.

One of his minor pleasures here was learning that he could dispute a favorite saying of one of his fellow-professors at the university. This colleague insisted that "the history of the Caribbean area can be written in one word—sugar". After seeing Aruba and Curaçao's great refineries, Dr. Royford says he will put up a strong claim for oil in Caribbean development.



## L.P.D. Patrolman Nabs German Stowaways

Roving Patrolman J. Hannaway of the Lago Police Department met a strange apparition near the Laundry before dawn one morning last week. It isn't often you bump into two haggard men drenched in oil and wearing two-week beards. Accused by the patrolman, they said they were off a ship but had no passes, and asked the way to town so they could buy clothes.

Patrolman Hannaway gave them directions and followed at a little distance, and when the strangers were near the Main Gate he blew his whistle and shouted for reinforcements.

Taken into custody by the Dutch military police, the pair admitted that they were Germans, one of whom had been in the army and the other in the Luftwaffe. Stowaways on an American tanker in the harbor, they slipped overboard in the dark and swam for shore, thinking that they were in Texas.

They had both been prisoners of war in the U.S. during the latter part of the war, and later had been transported to the Russian zone of occupation in Germany. Recently they escaped into Berlin, and from there made their way to Le Havre, France, where they stowed away on the tanker with a two week's supply of food and water.

Their attempt to reach the United States ended abruptly, for the same day they came ashore they were on another ship bound for France.

## Aprendiznan a Cuminzá Bishitá den Planta

Dia 14 di September, segun e programa nobo y extendi di Entrenamiento pa Aprendiznan, esakinan a haei e promé di un serie di bishitanan den Planta. Partí den grupojan di mas o menos 15, e mucha-bombomnan ta bishitá un otro lugar den Planta cuia Dia-Sabra, durante 6 luna, pa nan por haya un idea con Planta ta funciona.

E bishitanan ta inclui, Machine Shop, Shipyard, Powerhouse, E. & S. y docknan, Pressure Still, Catalytic Cracking Unit, Pipe Shop y Welding Shop.

Promé di cada bishita, un representante di e lugar cu lo worde bishitá, ta papia cu e mucha-bombomnan na Edificio di Entrenamiento, pa conta nan kico nan lo mira, kico nan mester ripará, funcionamiento di e lugar y con e ta traha en coleccion cu otro lugaran, e entrenamiento necesario pa e jobnan, y e reglanan di Seguridad cu mester worde sigui. (Promé cu e bishita na Powerhouse, nan a mira un película especial riba electricidad).

E bishitanan ta dura un ora of un ora y mei. Ora e mucha-bombomnan ta nan klas, nan mester traha un rapport di nan bishita, nan mester contesta preguntanan tocante funcionamiento di e lugar, machicanan importante, instrumentnan di trabaoan cu nan mira y reglanan di Seguridad cu a worde aplicá na nan.

Den e programa nobo, 127 mucha-bombomnan ta den klas henter dia durante e promé seis lunanan, promé cu nan oranan worde parti entre klas y entrenamiento práctico na nan job.

Un shop banda di edificio di Entrenamiento a worde reglá temporalmente pa e mucha-bombomnan sinja uso di instrumentnan pa medio di demostracionnan. Asina cu por haya un stock mas grandi di instrumentnan, nan lo sinja traha cu nan.

E promé dianan di e programa a inclui, lecturanan riba Seguridad, peliculan di Seguridad y un película educacional di un viahe na Sur America.

Mira e portret aki den e mira e grupo di aprendiznan cu a bishitá Gold Storage dia 14 di September. E mucha-bombomnan ta bishitá e Gold Storage cu temperatura ta 40° F. (Promé cu e grupo nan a sali, ta mira un tabaco den e kamber di areo, cu temperatura tabata 115° F. Mira pagina 2 den mas portret di e bishitanan den Planta di aprendiznan.



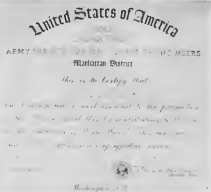
Three boys on an appetitive field trip don't show it, but they are colder than they have ever been in their lives. They are in the vaulting room of the Gold Storage Plant, where the temperature is 40° Fahrenheit. (They had just left the meat room, where it was 115°). For other field trip pictures, see page 2.

## Atom Bomb Merit Certificate Received by Lagoite

Harry P. Smith of Colony Service was the recipient recently of a Laureate from the War Department, acknowledging his "...work essential to the production of the Atomic Bomb, thereby contributing to the successful conclusion of World War II."

As personnel manager of the Kellogg Corporation, the company responsible for the design and engineering of a major part of the mammoth Oak Ridge installation in Tennessee, he was charged with the task of recruiting and assembling all the field scientific and engineering personnel for the company. For nearly two years he was in contact with some of the most famous scientists and engineers of our time, and he says that talking to those men and knowing what they have done is an easy way to realize how insignificant most of us are.

When Mrs. Smith, who had also worked at the Oak Ridge project, arrived here in Aruba, Harry found out that she possessed a citation too. Previous to this he had no idea that she had been awarded one. That, he said, was an



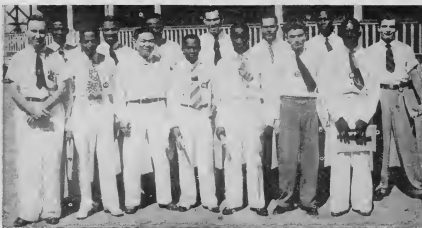
Above, the War Department's award to Harry Smith.

indication of the tremendous secrecy attached to the manufacture of the Atom Bomb and was the result of the intensive training and indoctrination in secrecy given to all persons who had anything at all to do with the Oak Ridge project, and of their habitual lack of communication with each other concerning the job.

Among the souvenirs of his work he rates high the goggles worn by Commander Parsons, bombardier on the fateful flight over Hiroshima over a year ago.



# NEWS and VIEWS



Shown here just after the graduation ceremony August 28 are the thirteen members of the first Aruba Instructional Job Training Course. With instructor W. A. Rogman at the far left, they are A. E. Allryer, C. W. A. Wijkman, J. Kowal, D. A. Borsari, J. W. Chabert, N. L. Lewis, J. G. Biedorick, J. L. Grevel, J. M. Nethelton, J. A. Tifford, D. A. Edwards, C. L. Babson, and G. Quarte. The course lasted two years and covered the fundamentals of pressure, flow, and temperature. After the ceremony the men presented Mr. Rogman with a bandana and useful portable bar as a token of their appreciation for his efforts.

She's on the road to stardom, says Universal Studios. It's Paula Drew, a Detroit girl, and the name of her first picture, like the costume, is "Highly Sensational".



Is costume ski to Paula Drew. So premi film is to "Highly Sensational", un film Universal.

A mid commentary on the abilities of Celine Sinclear is the appearance of this sign on the porch of Bachelor Quarters No. 3 last month. Sinclear, it remained undisturbed, with no independent citizen tearing it down. Could it be that these "old men" (average age probably 27-32 years) are giving in to Father Time?



The Aruba Flying Club's inventory of planes increased to six this month with the four-engine arrival of this new Avanca "Chief", a side-by-side two seater. It was a wheel instead of a stick, first of this type here, and the manual controls have to be handled with the left hand. That's mechanic Miguel Felipe at left and Hamilton Blair at right, who helped assemble the ship.



Taking advantage of the presence on the island of the six-girl Avanca Band, one of the best entertainment attractions to hit Aruba in some time, the Lega Club held a highly successful dance September 12. The band, which hails from Cuba, filled the capacity crowd with its excellent music. Above, some of the fun-loving and talented girls are photographed by Ernest Ruyssop at 3 a.m. after restless revelry. (The men are Lega Club salaried members Steney Goovis at left and manager Clement St. Aubyn in the center.) After leaving Aruba the band's next stop was to be Caracas where it is scheduled to fulfill radio contracts.

E Nando "Amacana" di Cuba cu ta constri unicasamente di musica-muler tabata un gran esito na Aruba na comienso di luna. E banda n' ta na su vartan balladon cu tabata muchu cantori. Aki nan ta na un camison huntu cu gerente y sub-gerente di Lega Club, despues di un balla di dia 12 di September. Salidacion di Aruba e demansa a bishita pa Caracas, unda nan lo toca pa radio.



E dos indigenan chikito aki ta Olga y Myra, ta nan nan n' hata nan. Nan tabata na combida pa bel misa parade di Anjo di La Reina. ESSO NEWS tin un portret extra di e muchanan, y si nan meyor nan ta desea di haya nan por bin buki na oficina na E. C. No. 3.

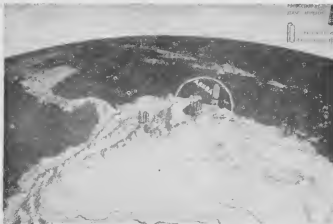


Two little "indians" all dressed up and with some place to go. Snapped on their way to see the Queen's Birthday parade, the girls said they were Olga and Myra, but weren't sure beyond that point. (The ESO News has an extra print which the parents may have if they will call at the office in E. C. No. 3.)



The size and wide scope of the Company's operations are shown in these maps and charts from the 1945 Annual Report of the Standard Oil Company (N.J.)

The illustration below shows that for each employee on the payroll Jersey and its affiliated companies have invested \$ 22,600 in property, plant, and equipment. The gross value of capital investments in lands leases, exploration costs, refineries pipe lines, tankers, and other properties necessary to provide 108,000 jobs was \$ 2, 441,942,488 at the end of 1945.



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Oil was produced by Jersey affiliates before the war on a substantial scale in Rumania and Hungary and, on a much smaller scale, in England, Germany, and Italy. The top map shows the location of refineries of affiliates in England, France, Norway, Denmark, Germany, Italy, and Rumania. (In the Near East oil regions, not shown, Jersey has an 11-7/8 per cent participation in the Iraq Petroleum Company.)

The map above shows South America's greatest store of petroleum in the northern part of the continent; Venezuela is the world's second largest oil-producing nation. Company affiliates produce or refine oil in Venezuela, Aruba, Colombia, Peru, and in the Argentine.

In the U.S.A. (below) largest production is in the Gulf Coast region, largest refineries are in Texas, Louisiana, and New Jersey. Last year the oil produced by affiliates in the U. S. amounted to 9 per cent of the nation's total; their refinery runs were 13 per cent of the total.



## PORFIN . . .

Na anja 1940 Neil Griffin a bai Sumatra na Oost Indië, pa keda aya di 15 di Maart te 15 di Augustus, pa asisti den establecimiento di facilidadnan pa gasolina di aviación na refineria di Compania na Palembang. Na Mei, 1940, Ned Smith, jico di ex-Cerente L. G. Smith, a manda un invitación pa su graduación di Aruba High School pa Neil Griffin na Oost Indië.

Despues di hiba cast militar mundo rond, e invitación a yega laat, opa cu Neil a bai di Sumatra caba, y entre-censura y nubianan preto di guerra e envelope a bai for di bista pa dos anja.

Na culminamento di anja 1942, ora cu e hombernan chikito cu woto di knoopgagat a drenta Oost Indië, e invitación, simbolo di mundo pacifico, no tabatin ningun chens. Ningun tiende no por taba den cual campo di concentración di den cual oficina pa carta su destino e tabata, di tur moda el a keda ta eria bekein tres anja mas, te ora atomic bom a pone e Japonésnan corre bolbe back na nan mes camacu di atros.

Despues di V-J day, Oost Indië tabatin hopi cos mucho mas importante di haci, di bai regla un invitación pa un graduación di school, cu tabata asina biewe cu cast e mes por a cuminsa bai school. Pues el a keda ta warda su ora yega, te un anja a bolbe pasa. Na Juni 1946 e carta a bai Holanda, pero parece cu e tabata preferá calor di Oost Indië riba frieuw di Holanda, y na siguiente luna e tabata na Batavia.

Siman pasá, 6<sup>o</sup> di anja despues cu el a worde gepost, e invitación a yega deu box di Neil Griffin, mará sínds pero (el di a alcansa su destino. Na tur el a hiba 46,762 milla, cu ta salí na 7100 pa anja di 8/10 parti di un milla pa ora.

## Patrolman Hannaway a Topa cu Aleman den Planta Siman Pasá

Patrolman J. Hannaway di Lago Police Department a mira dos individuo extraño banda di Laundry net promé cu di dia e tabata, siman pasá. No ta tur ora bo ta topa dos homber tur na azela y cu baranan di dos siman biewe. Ora cu e patrolman a topa nan, nan a bina cu un baha for di un vapor, pero cu nan no tabatin pas, y nan a puntr unda caminda pa stad ta pa nan cumpra pafá.

Patrolman Hannaway a duna nan dirección y el a sigui nan as cierto distancia, y ora e stranheronan tabata banda di dain ciato el a sugia su fluit y el a grita pidi yudanza di mas watchman.

Polies militar holandes a hiba e hombernan, y nan a admiti cu nan ta Aleman, un tabata den chifreto y e otro den "Luftwaffe". Nan a sconde abordo di un tanker Americano den haaf, y nan a baha keto-keto den acurida, landa yega tera, keriendo cu nan tabata na Texas.

Tur dos tabata prisionero di guerra na Merca durante e ultimo parti di guerra, y despues nan a worde transportá na zone ocupá Rusiano na Alemania. Recientemente nan a bai drenta Berlin, y dji nan a yega Le Havre, Francia, unda nan a subi seconci abordo di un tanker cu cuminda y awa pa dura dos siman.

Nan esfuertonan pa yega Merca tabata en vano; mes dia cu nan yega tera nan tabata abordo di un otro vapor na cuminda pa bolbe Francia.

## Sirvienta Honrá cu Medalia di Brons

Condorcionnan na ciudadanonan di Condecoración di Curacao anuncia recientemente den korantnan di Willemstad, ta inclui un medalia di bronc na Sefortia Matilda Antera, sirvienta casa familia S. N. Ecury durante 25 anja.

Promé cu esey el a traha algun anja na casa di Notarie L. Kwerts, unda e tabata mira pa Gerechtshof Kwartier, tempo cu e tabata mucha.

E honor di La Reina ta como reconocimiento pa servicio largo y fiel.

Because stowaways leaving Europe may be on the increase, local civil police suggest that Aruba residents be on the lookout for suspicious characters, and report possible cases to the proper authorities.

### Give 31 Winners Fls. 905 In August "C.Y.I." Awards

Two high men shared the spotlight in the August crop of 31 "C.Y.I." winners. At the top of the list was Ed McCourt, who collected 300 guilders for his idea to convert the Low Pressure and Viscosity unit's fired heaters from solid wall to suspended wall construction. A supplemental award of 150 guilders went to Egbert Tjin-Kam-Jet on his suggestion concerning medical examinations for employees. (This one was among those discussed recently in the "Lamp Magazine", in an article illustrating various good ideas from many parts of the Company.)



E. McCourt



E. Tjin-Kam-Jet

Awards of 50 guilders apiece went to John Moore and Stanley Chapman for suggesting respectively, improvements to the scooter seats, and improving safety in the use of pneumatic tools. Other awards were: John Smits, Fls. 15.00, change location of valve in tar dist. line to evaporators on vibrators No. 9 and No. 10. Adolfo Arends, Fls. 20.00, install steps outside cashier's office at Main Office Building. George Astragoo, Commendation, install guard on Fls. motor around fan at the Hydroponics unit.

Charles Leverock, Fls. 10.00, eliminate safety hazard at pipelines to tank No. 478.

Charles Leverock, Fls. 20.00, drill drainage west of tank No. 480.

Marchant Davidson, Fls. 15.00, install collecting box on geist pipe cutting machine at west end of Pipe Shop.

Cecil Bristol, Fls. 25.00, improvements to fire fighting equipment.

Clyde Legore, Fls. 10.00, close two passageways in refinery for safety reasons.

Charles Jardine, Fls. 10.00, new type motor oil burner wrench.

Bernice Moore, Fls. 10.00, daily subscription to Miami Herald for Personnel Department.

Charles Jardine, Fls. 15.00, remove various wooden steps at LEAR and replace them with ramps.

Civil Annamunthodo, Fls. 10.00, eliminate safety hazard at revolving gate at pathway to Lago Heights Bachelor Quarters.

Juan Koolman, Fls. 15.00, eliminate safety hazard at pipe alley north of tank No. 85 and west of tank No. 452.

McClchrist Pope, Fls. 10.00, change name "Labor Camp" on payroll deduction statements.

Kenneth Brown, Fls. 10.00, relocate gauge glass on stripper tower at Lamination Plant.

Reginald Chung-A-On, Fls. 10.00, safety precautions for sewer of water outlet of No. 2 H. P. unit's B. T. bottoms box.

Oscar Jacobus, Fls. 10.00, install roof in front of "Call for" windows at Plant Retail Commissary.

Hector Simoo, Fls. 10.00, relocate drain over east door on control house, No. 11 Gasoil unit.

Byrn Richards, Fls. 15.00, install telephone booth between tanks 116 & 117.

Oliver Van Thol, Fls. 10.00, relocate or install box around fire hydrant in the vicinity of the Laundry.

Sidney Hick, Fls. 15.00, eliminate safety hazard on steel structure at Nos. 1 and 3 Crude Stills.

John Rawls, Fls. 20.00, install air bottles on crude suction line at Central Pumphouse.

Norris Nyack, Fls. 10.00, adequate lighting for fuel oil temperature control meter on Nos. 2, 3, 6, & 7 H. P. S.

Edwin Bachbus, Fls. 10.00, eliminate safety hazard at water meter in the vicinity of the Lake Tanker dock.

### Lake Fleet Arts and Crafts Exhibited at Marine Club

The first exhibition of Lake Fleet and Shore Staff arts and crafts was sponsored by the Marine Club September 14, with 28 paintings and a number of handicrafts displayed. Several hundred spectators attended, and the interest shown proved it a success. The club hopes to make the exhibit an annual occurrence, with the probability that the first success will bring out additional talent from the fleet in the future.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Blair acted as judges, and Mrs. Blair, who presented the awards, was introduced by Marine Manager J. W. Woodward.

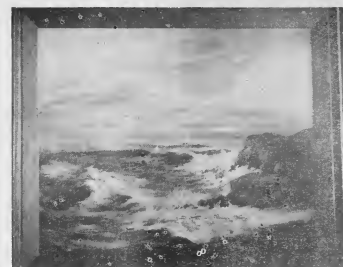
In the oil painting section, J. R. Chancellor of the "Cumarebo" took first and second prizes, and S. A. Jones of the Shore Staff took third. Mr. Chancellor also won the "best in show" award.

Among the water-colorists, A. Kirtley of the Marine Office won first, and E. J. Storie, skipper of the "Sabaneta" was second.

In the pencil drawing division, J. H. Preston, third officer of the "Marsuay", was first, and Capt. Storie was second.

In the handicrafts, Captain C. E. Wright of the "Andino" was first, with the doll house pictured below at right, and Chief Engineer D. P. Smith of the Inverlago was second.

At right, Bettina Blair presents first prize for oil painting to J. R. Chancellor of the "Cumarebo", while Marine Manager J. W. Woodward looks on at right. A portion of the exhibit can be seen in the background. Below, a sculpture painted by Capt. Sydney James, now of the Shore Staff, and a realistic scene inside a bus, titled "Parais" (1942), by Chancellor. At the bottom of the page is a two-story dollhouse, built by Capt. C. E. Wright and furnished to the finest detail. Included is a lighted table lamp on a tiny plane.



E portretnan na banda drechi ta saká duránte un exhibición cu tabatin na Marine Club dos siman pasá pa hombenan di Lake Fleet. R. J. Chancellor di "Cumarebo" ta ricibiendo promé premio pa su pinturanan riba e portret, mas ariba. Mc-mei, dos cuadro di e exhibición. Mas abao, un cas di popchi, henteramente muebli, cu captán C. E. Wright di "Andino" a traha.

### Maiderservant Honored by Queen

Honors announced in the Willemstad papers recently for citizens of Curacao include a bronze medal in the order of Orange-Nassau for Miss Matilda Antera, who has been a servant in the S. N. Eury family for the past 25 years.

Some years before going to work with the Eurya, she had been with the family of Notary L. Kwartar, and took care of Lt. Governor Kwartar when he was a child.

The honor from Queen Wilhelmina was in recognition of long and faithful service.



### Lopez Gets More News Concerning Missing Son

More recent information concerning the death of his son, Victor, in a raid over Brunswick, Germany was received by L. G. Lopez of the Gas Plant. Word from the War Department stated that Victor, who for a long time was listed as simply "missing in action", was last seen by his fellow crew members as they bailed out of their stricken bomber April 8, 1944. Of the nine men able to get out of the plane, four later turned up in German hospitals, the bodies of three were found, and the remaining two men, including Victor, were never found.

Mr. Lopez has recently received several documents from the government, a Citation of Honor from the United States Army Air Forces, a certificate signifying the posthumous awarding of the Purple Heart to his son, and a special citation signed by President Truman.

Sgt. John F. (Sandy) Whitney of the R.A.F., son of J. F. Whitney of the Gas Plant, visited Victor's field in England and saw him off on his last mission. The two boys had friends here in Aruba, going to school together and taking part in various activities here.



Charles Jardine, Fls. 15.00, change cooling water drains on LEAR pumps.

Anselmo Croes, Fls. 10.00, install whistle on doctor regenerating tanks, Sweetening Plant.

Juan Koolman, Fls. 15.00, eliminate safety hazard at pipe alley west of Tanks 117, 118 & 119.





## Minnie's Place on Payroll Inherited by Timmie

Minnie Eso, a tawny, tiger-striped cat who has been on the payroll of the Standard Oil Development Company at Bayonne, New Jersey for 13 years, died the other day but her \$4.60-a-month job as a laboratory mouser will stay in the family.

Frank Hatch, head janitor of the Standard Inspection Laboratory who hired Minnie in 1933, said that one of the mouser's sons, Timmie Eso, a jet-black youngster 10 months old, had inherited the task of keeping rats and mice out of the building of the develop-

## Could you say it better?

Do you ever put your finger in God's eye? ... or take the sky for a pumpkin? ... or do you calash plants over yield pumpkins? Possibly not, but in the very best Papiamento it may seem so occasionally.

The best of any language is likely to be its idioms, its homely little ways of saying familiar things, which cannot be translated literally because they mean something entirely different. Every language is full of them, and Papiamento is no exception.

No hinka dede den wero di Dios is literally "Don't put your finger in God's eye", but actually means you are exaggerating greatly, or telling what everyone knows is not true. If you are "a chip off the old block", or like your parents, you prove that Colles na su part pampuna, or calash plants don't give pumpkins. And if you are frightened and confused, you may say Mi a mira clelo pa un pampuna—"I thought the sky was a pumpkin".

To point out that the sea is dangerous, one may say Lanta no sa come sobra—"When the sea comes, there are no leftovers". Of someone who has no shame, it might be said that Cachó a lembe su cara: "A dog has licked his face".

Sometimes, though rarely, these phrases are almost connected with their real meaning. Thus Awa a pasa marinja (water went through flour) means that something very rare has happened—as it would be rare for water to pass through flour.

The origin of most idioms is lost in generations of conversation, but sometimes one can be traced to what seems to be its source. One such is the Papiamento term for "hitch-hiking" or begging a ride. When Carreno's famous pontoon bridge in open for tankers to pass into or out of the harbor, big launches shuttle back and forth across the channel carrying passengers. In the old days, though, little rowboats did this, and they were always overloaded. Those lucky enough to get a seat stayed dry, but anyone in a special hurry might ask to squeeze into the bow of the boat, where he got wet from the spray. Later if someone asked why he was wet, he might answer "I crossed the channel cabel-boto", at the head of the boat—in other words he begged his ride.

Thus when the Esoo News printed the article "...And Sudden Death", the Papiamento title became "La Muerte di Cabel-Boto"—meaning that when you speed, Death hitch-hikes a ride with you.

An Esoo tanker. Laboratory officials learned later that by the time the tanker docked again at Bayonne, Minnie had traveled to ports in Texas and South and Central America. (It is not known whether Minnie landed in Aruba.) During her absence, the rodents came back but so did Minnie and the situation was corrected.

During her tenure, Hatch estimated that the cat-employment had more than 100 kittens. Because she taught all of them the trick of catching mice and rats, her offspring, he said, were in great demand.

During her 13 years, Minnie became a favorite of laboratory personnel who taught her several tricks. On her death from old age, the employees took up a collection to pay for fitting burial ceremonies.

Meantime, Minnie Eso's son is carrying on satisfactorily at his mother's job and drawing her \$4.40 a month on the payroll.

## "Lago Thrift Foundation" Ta Distribui Fls. 200,000

Un noticia importante pa participacionan ta "Lago Thrift Foundation" a worde publica dia 1 di October:

E Hunta di Administracion di "Lago Thrift Foundation" tin e placer di anuncia cu ganancianan di e contribucionan registra como tal ariba e fecha ey.

E distribucion aki, di un poco menos cu Fls. 200,000.00, lo worde aboná na cuenta di cada participante di acuerdo cu e siguiente base:

Prome Partí — (Ganancia) Sesenta y cinco centimo parti di un por ciento (65/100 %) di e saldo favorable di cada participante lo worde aboná na su cuenta como su parti den e ganancia di e "Fundation".

Segundo Partí — (Contribucion di Compania) hal na cuantanan di emplotacion cu a kita for di emplot promé cu nan tabatin derecho ariba tal contribucionan) Seis por ciento y mei (6 1/2 %) di e total di su propio contribucionan y contribucionan di Compania hal for di October 1, 1946 te September 30, 1946, lo worde aboná na su cuenta como su parti den e contribucionan menciona aki 'riba entre parentesis.

E suma mencioná aki 'riba lo worde aboná na su cuenta y lo parce den e estado di bo cuenta over di e aña cu a caba dia 30 di September, 1946, cu cada estado di cuenta lo bo ricibi pronto.

See pages 4-5 for a feature likely to be of interest to all readers of the Aruba Esoo News, whether or not they were in Aruba the night of February 16, 1942.

## Fueling of Air Forces Begun By Intava, Jersey Subsidiary

To meet its world-wide aviation fueling requirements, the Army Air Forces announced last week the award of a \$ 5,000,000 fueling service contract in 43 countries to Intava, Inc.

Described by the AAF as the "largest contract of its kind ever entered into by the Army Air Forces", the contract covers countries throughout Europe, Africa, and North and South America, excluding the United States.

Intava, Inc., represents the joint aviation petroleum products business of Jersey Standard and Socony-Vacuum outside the United States. It serves as advisor and coordinator for both companies in marketing, distribution, and servicing of aircraft of products under the "Intava" brand name.

In undertaking the contract, the announcement stated, Intava has "enabled the Army Air Forces to withdraw most of its maintenance military forces from many of these far-flung airports".

## Art Circle Sponsors Variety of Features

The "Aruba Art Circle", formed in Oranjestad several months ago to promote cultural entertainment, is in the midst of a varied assortment of programs.

Early this week, at the Bolivarian Club, they sponsored a concert by Professor Charles, who makes unusual music with a "Theremin", which operates on electronics principles (electrically controlled boxes produce sounds without the operator touching them, simply by the distance his hands are away from them). He was accompanied by the piano by F. Steenmeijer, president of the Art Circle.

Later this month the Circle will present an exhibition of Dutch paintings, including a number valued at over a thousand guilders.

Scheduled for some time in November is an appearance here by the famous "Fisk Jubilee Singers", which is the third generation of the original group. The originals went to Europe first in 1873, where they presented their negro spirituals with outstanding success before Queen Victoria, the King and Queen of Holland, and other great personalities of the day.

When Minnie Eso, laboratory mouser for the S.O.D. Company died of old age recently, her son, Timmie Eso, above, inherited her \$4.60 per month job on the Company payroll.

ment company, central research organization of Standard Oil Company (New Jersey).

The job pays \$1.20 a month more than when Minnie took over—a wage adjustment, Hatch explained, to meet higher living costs. The work, he added, is also much easier because of the thorough manner in which Minnie cleaned out the rodents.

The mother cat attracted wide attention several years ago when an auditor, going over accounts at the Bayonne plant, found a recurring monthly item charged to "Minnie". Investigation showed that this was the cost of milk and salmon which she was fed. A newspaper learned of the incident and soon the story of the cat on a payroll went across the nation.

As a result, Minnie Eso was photographed and even interviewed. The idea of having a cat on the payroll led the president of Standard Oil Company (New Jersey) to write Minnie's boss asking what provisions had been made for her under the company annuity plan and other employee benefits. An insurance company suggested a policy that would provide a retirement income for Minnie to supplement Social Security. An organization specializing in analyzing tax liabilities offered its services to the company in behalf of Minnie.

There were also some feline letters of proposal including one from a tom-cat saying that his only fault was laziness but that "as you have a good job, I am sure we could manage very nicely".

Hatch recalled that Minnie Eso was hired after rodents had caused heavy damage to laboratory records and charts. There were several other prior applicants, he said, but they apparently got lonesome and only stayed in the laboratory a night or two.

Minnie, however, remained faithfully on the job all during her 13 years except for a six-months' vacation cruise aboard

Lago was host early this month to an Employee Relations Conference attended by representatives from Standard Oil Co. (N.J.) affiliates from all parts of South and Central America and the Caribbean area, and from New York and Canada. The men who attended the conference sessions from October 12 through October 13 are shown below in the back row, left to right, are: E. Amado, S. O. of Puerto Rico, San Juan; J. M. Cordero, Tropical Oil, Bogota, Colombia; S. McConnell, S. O. (N. J.), New York; N. Wright, Ceres Petroleum, Caracas; R. H. Mason, S. O. (N. J.), New York; S. O. of Porto Rico, San Juan; E. H. Owens, International Petroleum, Lima, Peru; R. H. Quick, S. O. of Brazil, Rio de Janeiro; O. E. Gredler, S. O. (N. J.), New York; and J. Mitchell, International Petroleum, Caracas. Center section, L. Mendive, Ceres Petroleum, Maracaibo; O. Brander, S. O. of Chile, Santiago; C. J. Crisler, Tropical Oil, Bogota, Colombia; R. W. Stichel, Lago; G. Cortez, S. O. (N. J.), New York; C. E. Shaw, S. O. (N. J.), New York; J. V. Feltus, Lago; J. Garcia, S. O. of Cuba, Havana; Cuba; D. M. Artime, Esso Standard Oil S. A., Caribbean area; G. Seibman, S. O. of Argentina, Buenos Aires, Argentina; J. Koverly, Ceres Petroleum, Caracas; J. Harris, S. O. of Venezuela, Caracas; J. Smith, Petroleum, Lima, Peru; (In front), Front row, M. Mendez, S. O. of Cuba, Havana; B. Tangle, Lago; O. Muñoz, Esso Standard Oil, Caribbean Area; Chedid Trajcia, S. O. of P. R., San Juan; R. L. Sheppard, Esso Standard Oil (Antilles); Part of Spain, Trinidad; F. Cingreda, International Petroleum, Lima; Gussuppi Gussuppi and H. B. Wilson, S. O. (N. J.), New York.



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## This poor fellow forgot

He was an unusually good worker and very careful about his own health. He stuck to a diet with plenty of vegetables. He grieved, but never more than 18 holes. He never smoked, drank or lost his temper. He did his full dozen daily. He got at least 8 hours sleep each night. The funeral will be next Wednesday. He is survived by 18 specialists, 4 health institutes, 6 gymnasiums and numerous manufacturers of health foods and antiseptics. He had forgotten that his car's tires were worn to the fabric and that 50 miles an hour was too fast to travel under the circumstances.

—The Esso Editor.

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(Date indicates that reporter has turned in a tip for this issue)

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Simon Geronimo Drydock  
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Harald James Personnel  
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Samuel Ruyssap Social

## PERSONALITIES

Stella Vanier of M. & C. Administration and William Thomas of the San Nicolas police force will be married at the Church of St. Theresa in San Nicolas October 26.

The bride, who is from B. G., came to Aruba in 1943 and was until recently employed at the Lago Hospital. The groom is from Amsterdam, Holland. A reception will be held at the home of Jose Gorman (of Personnel) in Lago Heights. The couple plans to spend the honeymoon in Curaçao.

Among Drydock vacationers this month is Adrian Myers, a hollendamer helper, who left for St. Martin for 10 weeks October 7 to visit his mother, who has been ill recently. Severinus Forman, a machinist subforeman, started seven weeks October 15. Salmaker Pedro Thielman started four weeks October 16. Joseph Kroznodijk, a carpenter helper, and Antero Wever and Luciano Kroznodijk, welders, will start their six weeks October 21, as will Luciano Kock and Matias Demey, pipelitter helpers, who will go for four weeks.

Announced recently was the engagement of Miss Z. Khan, of Bel Air, W. C. Berbic, B. G. to Abdul Hack of T.S.D. Process Control. The engagement took place at the home of Abdul's parents in B. G. September 22.

Herman Lichtveld of the Training Division left on a 12-week vacation October 2. He planned to be married in Curaçao, go on a honeymoon trip, then come back to Aruba and settle down.

After 12 years of service with Lago, Jan Lejuer, a Colony electrician, resigned October 5 to enter business for himself.

Isidro Lopez, a carpenter subforeman in Colony Maintenance, has decided to go into business for himself. He left October 2 to carry out his plans. While employed with the Company he was active as a Committeeman.



Above, ably assisted by his fellow employees of the Accounting Department, Rudolph Cross presents a check to Dolphino Mudge as a wedding gift. Dolphino was married to Celia Durant of No. 1 Laboratory in the Church of St. Theresa in San Nicolas September 24. There was a reception at the bride's home on Bernhardstraat after the ceremony.



Above, with the permission of a silver service and a silver plate. Gentle Joseph was started with on the way toward a happy married life by his fellow employees in the expeditor section of the Drydock. His wedding to Miss E. F. Westeraf took place in the Church of St. Theresa in San Nicolas September 24. A reception followed the wedding at W.S.F. 30. Yvonne Westeraf is presenting the gift.



Above, Mont A. Games of the Storehouse receives from G. Erenst, Storehouse head, a cash check as a wedding gift from all the employees in the department. Mr. was married to Eluis De Silva of the Typing Department in Overstraat September 24. A reception followed the wedding in Esselville.

## Delayed Reports —

The Esso News has just learned that when Ewart Cowie, acting head waiter at the Dining Hall, went to Tobago for long vacation April 10, he turned the former Miss Pearl James, a school teacher, into Mrs. Cowie. When he came back June 29 it was all by himself, unfortunately, but to prove his story he had not only a picture of the wedding dinner but even a piece of the wedding cake. The final proof of his married status appeared some time this week, when Mrs. Cowie herself was due here to join her husband.

## S.O.D. in "March of Time" —

In the current issue of the "March of Time" (now showing in the United States but not yet here), the development of the atomic bomb is reviewed, with the Standard Oil Development Company shown as one of the contributors to the project.

S.O.D. is the only commercial organization referred to in the film. The part of its work shown includes operations both in Linden, New Jersey, and in British Columbia, Canada.

## Joe ta Sigi Mama 'Riba Payroll of Standard Oil Development Co

Minnie Esso, un pushi geel cu strepi preto, tabata riba payroll di Standard Oil Development Company na Bayway (New Jersey) durante 13 aña. Pero Minnie a muri algun dia paas y awor un di su jioenan, Tommie Esso lo tuma over e job di Fla. 7.27 pa luna. Frank Hatch cu a trece Minnie trabao na 1933 a bisa cu na su empleu a pushi pa hira Laboratorio di Standard Inspection di djaka y ratón.

E felt cu Minnie tabata riba payroll a bin na cla vurios anja pusha cu e tabata mira un cuenta cargá na nomber di "Minnie". Investigación a bin muestra cu esey tabata loque lechi y salmon pa cria Minnie tabata costa.

President di compania a sikriti Minnie su hefe, puntrando si Minnie tabata den planan di beneficencia di Compania.

Minnie hasta a yega di baya cartanan di amor di jonkuman puhanian pa pidí pa casa. Durante tempo cu e tabata empenando el a yega di haci un biaha di seis luna abordo di un tanker di Esso, el a biaha puertanan na Texas, na Central America y na Zuid Amerika.

Or cu Minnie a muri, Tommie, un di su casu 100 jioenan, a tuma over trabao. Segun reportanan, Tommie ta mes bon trahador cu su mama.

## E pober tercio cu a lubida . . .

E tabata un bon trahador y e tabatin masha cuidao pa su salud. E tabata tene dieta y e tabata come hopi berdera. E no tabata huma nunca, ni bebe, ni raká.

E tabata haci exercicio tur mainta. Tur anochi e tabata drumi slomenos 5 ora.

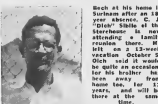
Awe tardí nan ta déré. E pobercito a lubida cu su tirenan tabata gastá te cu kora tabata salí y cu 60 milla pa ora ta mucho duro pa corre auto baso di tal circumstancianan.

## Long Service Awards

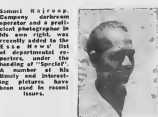
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## 10-YEAR BUTTONS

Lewis Olive Carpenter  
Luis Tremp Foundry  
Jacobus Geerman Machinist  
Prudenco De Cuba Pipe  
Porfilio Everts Paint  
Gerardo Geerman Lago Police  
Jan Schel Marine Vices  
Gaulsaune Italy L.O.F.  
Simeon Noquera Acid Plant  
Lee Zae Yek Dining Hall  
Robert Wilks Marine Office  
Francisco Vermet Mat. Accounting  
Thomas Mendez Personnel  
Colin Ward Engineering  
Stephen Sery Jr. Engineering  
Joseph Richardson Engineering



Such as his home in Suriname after an 18-year absence. E. J. A. de Vries, a new attorney, has recently resigned there. Mr. de Vries was on a 12-week vacation October 2. His wife would be quite an occasion, for his brother has been away from home for 12 years, and will be there at the same time.



Crispin de Silva of the Pipe Shop is due to leave on a 12-week long vacation October 24. He plans to go to his home in Suriname and visit with his family during that time.

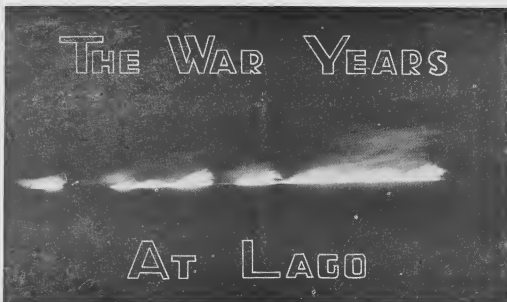
Eduardo Geerman, who has had 11 years of service at the Gas Plant, started a six-week vacation October 5. His plans were to spend the time in some gardening and work on his house.

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# THE WAR YEARS

## AT LAGO

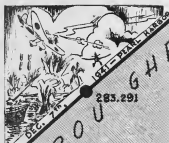
### 1939 - 1945 A SUMMING - UP

The accomplishments of Lago employees during the war are too well-known to need reviewing: military and government officials have been high in their praise, and many citations and other tokens of merit have been received. This, then, will be chiefly the story of life at Lago during those years, with the people who made the Company's tremendous war production records possible.

Some of it has been told before. Much of it, however, is now told for the first time. It is a historical record, a summing-up for future recollection, of Lago and Aruba in the war years.

Above, a tragic and unforgettable sight: blazing oil from the lake tankers "Granatnik" (visible at left, with its back broken) and "Pedernales" spreads over a wide area of the sea south of the Colony February 16, 1942, after torpedo hits by German submarines. The war was no longer in Europe—it was here.

Aki 'riha, un hecho trágico e inolvidable: aceite quemado de un lake tankerman "Granatnik" (con banda roja, en su lomo roto) y "Pedernales" se plasma rika limar pa zuid di Colonai dia 16 di Februari, 1942, despues cu torpedonan di submarina Aleman a rabi nan. Guerra no tabata na Europa si — guerra tabata aki tuma.



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THROUGHPUT - BARRELS

### ONE IN SIXTEEN

The Lago Refinery at Aruba produced one out of every sixteen barrels of aviation gasoline used by the United Nations during the war years. Some other outstanding records:

September 1, 1939 to August 31, 1945	
High octane gasoline	529,705,000 gallons
Motor gasoline	2,867,553,000 gallons
January 1, 1942 to August 31, 1945	
Submarine type diesel oils	804,521,000 gallons
Navy special fuel oil	2,949,613,000 gallons

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**WHEN** loaded tankers anchored just off the reef flared up like gigantic torches following German torpedo hits, a few hours before dawn February 16, 1942, and shells screamed over the refinery to explode in the tankfarm and the residential area to the north of it, Aruba really knew it was at war.

Lago had been in the fight for a long time. War first came to Aruba with the outbreak of hostilities in Europe on September 3, 1939, when the refinery started furnishing petroleum products for the Allies. It came closer on May 19, 1940, when Germany started into Holland and Belgium, and by sunrise next morning all the German nationals in Aruba were on their way to internment in Bonaire. War was on the Aruba doorstep for a long time after that, but with the February 16 attack it opened the door and walked in.

It is now over a year since war went away. Bomb shelters and the earth-shaking "Long Tom" are gone, and oil again moves east into the world's trade for pleasure automobiles, civilian aviation, and merchant ships bound on peaceful errands. Lagoiters who live in San Nicolas and the Colony no longer go to bed with a bag full of "evacuation necessities" as many frankly did for months after the famous February 16 attack, in case they had to make a quick dash to the safety of the north-shore cliffs or the hills near the center of the island.

There was no lack of tension here on the fateful September day; several weeks ago when the war pot boiled over, spilling German troops all over Poland. With the island dependent on ships for supplies, and all refinery production moving in and out by sea, the ship-owning reports of the war's first days created a great deal of worry and some fear. The "Pan Aruban" of September 9, 1939 editorialized against these worries, pointing out that the Government was neutral, that most foreigners were from neutral countries, and that neither side could be greatly interested in harming us.

It was midnight of the following May 10 when the grim news reached Aruba that Holland's neutrality had been violated. By the next morning no German citizen was left in Aruba; a lake tanker requisitioned by the Government carried them to Bonaire.

Uncertainty and tension mounted again with the knowledge that Germany now had an interest in us, if they could only reach us, though the fantastic claims made by German radio propagandists did a little toward easing this tension. Once Lord Haw Haw told us our refinery had just been burned to the ground. We looked, but it was still there. (Lord Haw Haw was recently executed for treason in England.)

Immediately after May 10 a contingent of French soldiers landed and moved into quarters northeast of the tankfarm and in other locations on the island. They stayed just long enough for everyone to become used to their berets with the pom-poms on top, and then went away.

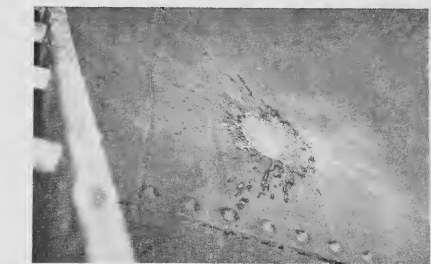
Several months later a detachment of British troops, the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders, arrived in Aruba. Veterans of Dunkirk, they came virtually without equipment of war, and were generally thought to be here recovering from their Dunkirk experience. Their kilts, parades and bagpipe band were a never-fading show to take the residents' minds off of their war worries. (Later many of the Camerons died in North Africa, Sicily, and Italy.)

Late in 1940 a military conscription law was passed, and through 1941 Sabana Camp gradually expanded with facilities for several thousands of soldiers.

Also in 1940 the Government-sponsored S.A.N.O.A. committee was set up to collect funds for aiding Netherlands war victims, and in a short time it received over 183,000 guilders, with Lago employees and the Company contributing generously. (Within a few weeks after Holland's liberation, this money was sent to the Queen, who devoted it to medical aid for tubercular children.)

The last half of 1940 and all of 1941 passed swiftly, perhaps because so little happened here. Aside from grim news on the radio and a few pretense broadcasts, the war seemed very distant. The United States' entry in the war in December, 1941 increased the possibility of seeing action, but the general opinion was still "It can't happen here".

Two months later it did happen.



One of the first shells to strike the Western Hemisphere in World War II made this splash near an inch deep in Lake 112 the night of February 16. Luckily it struck a floating blow and fell to Earth through the tanks that had been used to fill them. The next day shells hit the island's sea. Officially no foreign ships should have been in port, though city-destroying submarines may have managed this.

Up to a promer hoteman cu e rebu, e parti occidental di mundo dia di dos Guerra Mundial a haci e baraca un dain hundo den tanki No. 112 e anochi di 16 di Februari. Afortunadamente e no a dal dura y di e taya di bora e tanki, aunque cu e a horta lui. Oficialmente ningun e baya ninguun rebu di e baki, probablemente empuerando cu e traha rond di e tanki por e haya sigu, y e warda como e rebu.

**ORA** cu tankerman cu tabata ancha banda di Rif a bula y a keda ta kima manera flambuceman gigantesco despues cu nan a wordo tropatado cu Alemanan; ora cu nan a tira riba refinaria y cu e tironan a bai cai den Tankfarm e parti residencial pa noerd di dje; e ora ey, net promé cu marduga di dia 16 di Februari, 1942 Aruba a haya sa cu e tabata beraderamente den guerra.

Lago tabata tuma parti aden basta tempo kaba. Di tempo cu guerra a cuminsa na Europa dia 3 di September, 1939, refinaria a cuminsa manda produccion di petroleo pa Allisonan. Guerra a yega acerca dia 10 di Mei, 1940 ora cu Alemanan a drenta Holanda y Belgica. Pa su mayan tur esnan di nacionalidad Aleman cu tabata na Aruba, tabata na cuminda pa Bonaire pa internacion. Guerra a keda para riba drempí di Aruba hopi tempo despues di esey, pero cu e ataque di 16 di Februari, el a habri porta drempí.

Awor ta mas di un anja cu guerra a caba. Schuilkerles y canònan grandi no ta ey mas y aseta ta den negocio mundano di e doelman pacifico.

Loque empueracion di Lago a logra durante añanan di guerra ta demasiado conoci pa nos boibe ripiti. Elogio di oficialdanan Militar y di Gobierno tabata manha.

Esaki ta historia di bida na Lago durante es añanan. Esaki lo pone nos huntu cu e bendenan cu a haci posibel e recordnan tremendo di produccion pa guerra. Un parti di e storia ta conoci caba, pero pa via di restriccionnan di censura di tempo di guerra, hopi cos ta sali na eis awor pa di promé bez. Esaki ta un record historico di Lago y Aruba durante di guerra.

No a laga di falta excitacion despues di e dia fatal na September, 7 anja pasa, ora cu tropesnan Aleman a yena Polonia. Riba un isla cu ta depende heteramente di importacion y cu tur accionnan di refinaria cu tabata bai pa barco, e rapportnan di e promer dianan di guerra a causá hopi preocupacion y poco miedo. "Pan Aruban" di September 9, 1939 a publica un editorial pa mengua e preocupacion, mostrando cu Gobierno tabata neutral, cu casi tur estratègionan tabata di nacionnan neutral y ay ninguun parti pa tabatin gran interes den perhudicio nos.

Tabata mei anochi di 10 di Mei, di e siguiente anja ora cu e noticia fatal a yega Aruba, esta cu Holanda su neutralidad a wordo violá. Pa su mayan mainta no tabatin un ciudadano Aleman na Aruba; un lake tanker cu Gobierno a pui a hiba nan Bonaire.

Incertidumbre y tensio cu sigui aumentá, sabiendo cu awor Alemanan tabatin un interes den nos, si usa por yega cerca nos. E propaganda fantástico pa radio Aleman, sinotorgo, a calma e tensio un poco. Un bez un cierto Lord Haw Haw a baa cu nos referencia a caba di kima plát. Nos a drea miri, pero ainda e tabata ey. (Recientemente Lord Haw

Haw a wordo ehecutá na Inglatera pa traicion.)

Unbez despues di 10 di Mei un trupa di solda Frances a yega tera. Net ora tur hende a cuminsa custuma cu nan pechi cu pon-pon nan a bai fo'i Aruba. Varios luna despues tropesnan Ingles "Cameron Highlanders" a yega Aruba. Nan tabata veterano di Duinkerken y nan a yega casi sin equipo di guerra y tabata conosci general cu nan a bini aki unicamente pa nan sosegá di nan experiencia di Duinkerken. Nan sayanan pliss, nan parashutan a nan banda di "doedelzakken" semper tabata logra di kita pensamento di habitantenan for di preocupacionnan di guerra.

Na cabamento di 1940 a drenta un Ley nobo di Conscripción Militar y durante 1941 Sabana Camp a aumentá facilidatnan pa acomoda algun mil soldá.

Tambe na 1940, cu asistencia di Gobierno fundacion di S.A.N.O.A., a tuma lugar, un comité pa colecta fondunan pa yuda vietnamitan di guerra Holandes, y den poco tempo nan a recoge mas di 183,000 florin, na cual Lago y se empueracion a contribui generosamente. Algun dia despues di liberacion di Holanda e placa a bai pa La Reina, cu a dedica tur pa yudanza medical pa muchanan tuberculosos na Holanda.)

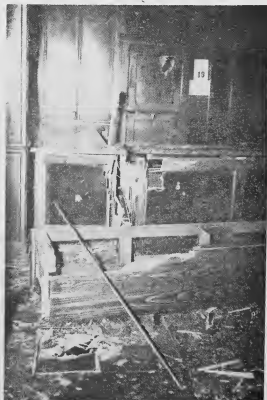
Segunda parti di 1940 y henter 1941 a pasa liber, podian pascha poco cos a sucede aki. Cu excepcion di noticiann di radio y algun exercicio di blackout, guerra tabata parece basta distante. Ora cu Mercá a drenta aden na December 1941, posibilidad di mira accion a aumentá, pero opinion general tabata "Nada no ta pasa aki".

Pero dos luna despues el a pasa! (Continuacion den proximo numero.)

Below, wreckage in the Eze Club the fourth night after "the attack", from a fire still smoldering here by an American warship. (Note trajectory lines of shell in background to the hole in left foreground). Story will appear in a later issue.

Above, destruction den Eze Club di cuater anochi despues di e "ataque", causa pa un fire-shell (hole in left) bira pa un vapor di guerra Americano. (Nota e trayectoria di bala den fondo, pa e buraco den mader, robes p'adentro.)

Storie di esaki lo ta den e proximo numero.



To be continued in the next issue.

# NEWS <sup>and</sup> VIEWS

Photograph by Samuel Kijonck



Peering through this expensive microscope at tiny body cells is one of John Knight's jobs. John, a laboratory assistant at the Dispensary, is shown adjusting his instrument as he prepares to inspect some slides.

Most famous of Curacao's Governors was Peter Stuyvesant, later Governor of New Amsterdam (now recently known as New York). The well-known wooden leg was the result of a wound received in a battle against the French at St. Martin about 1645. His own leg, amputated at Curacao, is buried in a covey, where that bears his name. Also named for him is this school at Willemstad, with the impressive statue shown below at the entrance.

Gouverneur was famous di Curacao tabata Peter Stuyvesant, cu denan tabata Gobernador di Nieuw-Amsterdam (loca na New York awendia). E pie di palo famoso tabata resultado di un herida cu el a haya den un batalla contra Francesnan na St. Martin na aña 1645. E pie di a werda amputa na Curacao. El dera den un caverdeta cu la caya na covey. E school aki na Willemstad tambe ta caya su nombre, y na su entrada tin e estatu impressive aki.



Though boilers are increasingly automated, there seems little to be improved for those who prefer the leisure of ship life. An example that may concern sea-going Lapites come time in the future is shown in the architect's drawings of the new Aico Steamship Company destroyer frigates that were launched last month. Below, long slim lines break away from the traditional "dumpy" appearance of frigates, as does the attractive ramp illustrated at right. Staterooms and public rooms will be air-conditioned. The new ships, with accommodations for 60 persons, will sail out of New York and New Orleans for ports in the Caribbean.



No camera-shy here is Jessica Louise Jackson, held by her famous actress mother, Deanna Durbin, the little lady behind the lens for the first time, with an assisting effort. Mother's next picture will be "Fill Me Yours", produced by Jessica's dad Felix Jackson.

Jessica Louise Jackson na un modo di saka portret. El a sali pa su mama famosa Deanna Durbin, kende ta cu hende dia, e peliculo "Fill Me Yours", produci pa Jessica su tata, Felix Jackson. Ya sanger pa sika portret mas e chiquito aki tin den su carga.

Four de Vours in a row, four sizes, four signs, and, most important, four generations. The picture, named by the ESSO NEWS by Hendrik C. de Vour (Yates), shows great-grandfather Hendrik de Vour, grandfather Constant de Vour, father Hendrik C., and little Richard de Vour, to carry on the family.



Custer de Vour, custer tamaño, custer edad, y el mas importante custer generacion. Hendrik C. de Vour (Yates) e tin ESSO NEWS e portret, Yata cu tin su tata e tata-tata Hendrik de Vour, e tata-tata Constant de Vour, e tata Hendrik C. y e chiquito Richard de Vour, cu ta sigui grandi awor, cu aki poco anys mas a mui to persera cu di cinco generacion.



# AROUND THE PLANT



Caught during a trip around the plant by the Esso News camera, these pictures show employees at work at a few of the countless jobs that go together to help refine oil.

1 — Joe Dijkhoff, right, and Julia Tabat, pipelitters, repair one of the fuel oil lines at the Tank Farm.

2 — Feeding rocks to the powerful jaws of the rock crusher are Leonard Lewis and (behold him) Mr. 1.30 Sides.

3 — Checking the ropes on their scaffold while Roland Hinds mixes more paint are Julian Traiet, left, and Eskiel Morbert.

4 — At the Pipe Shop Isaacson Greer, left, Juan De Cuba, and Jose Figueroa, right, test a valve before it is sent out to the field.

5 — Working between rods, crane operator James Coen, Francisco Kruwendijk and Luis Navarro, on the ground, talk the situation over.

6 — Constructing the forms for the widening of the road to the back-ground are, left to right, carpenters Richardson Gillbert, Anisete Stomp, Francis Craiton, Didier Albert, and Alexander Blom.

7 — Carlis Wierfema rolls a tube while his helper, Thomas Samsel places a rolling tool in asether tube end.

8 — On the way to deliver a load to the Machine Shop, this train crew stopped to have its picture taken. Left to right, Masael Gonzalez, Bruce Strakhoed, Rear Laede, and Jose Flacard.

9 — Process apprentice Pedro Kelly, center, watches closely as Jakob Nieuwusch, assistant operator, left, and Iverelme Heary Abrahams adjust the automatic injection system at No. 1 Combination unit.

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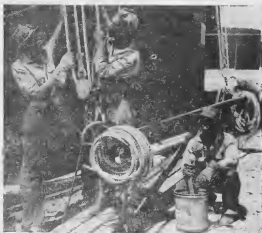
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## September "C.Y.I." Winners Split 525 G's 22 Ways

With the top award of 125 guilders going to Henry Gittens of the Boiler Shop for his idea for remodeling the screen frames for the intakes of No. 1 Powerhouse and the Pitch Stills, the "C.Y.I." winners for September numbered 22 and the awards totaled 525 guilders.

Other winners were: James Enoll, Fla. 25.00, request travel literature from New York for Esso Club library. Miss Elouise Simmons, Fla. 20.00, protection of fomite lines north of tanks Nos. 483 and 484. Miss Elsa MacKintosh, Fla. 20.00, improvements to Esso Dining Hall credit tickets.

George Asragado, Fla. 15.00, install bathroom at Hydroponics unit. Edward Kozlacz, Fla. 35.00, system for identifying pushers of various M. & C. crafts in the field.

Reginald Hartogh, Fla. 15.00, eliminate safety hazard at caustic wash drums OSAR.

Adam Branningen, Fla. 40.00, ramp to facilitate servicing of scooters.

Andre Dutier, Fla. 10.00, eliminate safety hazard at N.D. & P.D. condenser box water overflow lines on No. 8 I.S.S.

Jose Frans, Fla. 10.00, eliminate stumbling hazard west of tank No. 200.

Claude McDonald, Fla. 20.00, system for testing Ice Plant's cooling water for detecting leaks.

Frank Higgins, Fla. 10.00, relocate fire extinguisher at L.H.B.Q. No. 16.

Egbert Carrilho, Fla. 20.00, eliminate safety hazard at AAREZ comp. house.

Julio Van Dinter, Fla. 15.00, improve working conditions at empty can storage building.

McGhiechrist Pope, Fla. 10.00 improvements for various Colony Service operations.

Clarence Bristol, Fla. 25.00, eliminate safety hazard at western door of Dry Dock repair shop.

Charles Rohee, Fla. 15.00, eliminate fire hazard at Personnel Annex at Main Gate.

John Zeppenfeld, Fla. 20.00, installation of phone at residence of Accounting Department employee.

Athorio de Freitas, Fla. 15.00, eliminate safety hazard east of No. 1 heating oil cooler at PCAR.

Jan Monitor, Fla. 15.00, change position of packing gland on reciprocating acid pumps.

Michael Koban, Fla. 15.00, asphalt fill to eliminate safety hazard near baseball court.

Eugene Kimler, Fla. 15.00, valve extension for No. 5 H.P. cross furnace.

Harry Nahar, Fla. 10.00, install sewer line to drain off water accumulating east of No. 10 Crude still control house.

Lago's transportation equipment ranges from heavy cranes to plant-sized scooters, and it takes care of all to benefit it. Adam Branningen, who thought up the present one, for servicing three-wheeled scooters at the Esso, and won a Fla. 40 "C.Y.I." award for his idea.

Adam Branningen, who has a hope Fla. 40 of having more money. He also thinks he should get credit for his work on the idea of a product Fla. 40 extra per.

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## Cas di Bieheza na Saba Fundá Pa "Wit Gele Kruis"

"Wit Gele Kruis", un organizacion paricido na Cruz Roja, a anuncia plannu ricreacionale pa habri un cas di bieheza un Windwardside, Saba.

Den un reunion dia 8 di October un Windwardside na cas di Rev. Pader Berlage (antes di Aruba) plannan a worde haci pa elimina trabao cu e hendenan bieheza ta pasa, ora nan no por percura pa nan mes mes.

Nan a compra un edificio cu antes tabata di E. Hassel di Training Division y nan lo cuminsa traha pronto pa pone e lugar na condicion pa e ocupantenan nobo. Siendo cu e lo costa hopi, nan ta pidí tur hende di Aruba y Curaçao di yuda, contribuyendo pa e cas doel aki.

Esanan presente na e promé reunion di e Directiva local tabata Pader Berlage (Presidente), Harry L. Johnson (Secretario), Senorita Rose Udine Johnson (Tesorera), Rev. F. Jensen y Dr. J. Choolaad.

## Gouverneur A Ricibi Medalia Pa Servicio Rendí na Merca

"Medalia di Libertad", un medalia especial instituí pa President Truman, a worde presentá na Gouverneur P. Kasteel di Curaçao dia 29 di October, pa servicionan rendí na Estados Unidos di Norte America durante di guerra. E medalia aki ta worde presentá a só pa e activadonan cu a yuda en conexcion cu guerra.

E medalia no por worde presentá na ciudadanonan Americano, cu excepcion di esnan cu a sirbí for di Merca durante di guerra, miembronan di Ejército Americano tampo no por ricibi.

E presentacion a tuma lugar den nomber di President Truman, pa Admiral W. R. Monroe, cu a haci un viahe especial pa Curaçao, pa es ocasion.



## Botanist Visits Aruba To Study Local Palms

Dr. Liberty H. Bailey, noted authority on plants and former dean of the Cornell University School of Agriculture, embarked from Philadelphia October 21, alone at the age of 88, on a trip through the West Indies and South America to study the palms in the area with a view to reclassifying them. In his opinion, science has classified the palm family poorly, and though he is of an age when most men would relax into a rocking chair, he set out to do something about it.

The first leg of Dr. Bailey's trip brought him to Aruba where he stayed for three days studying the various types of palm trees. He said there were nine different kinds here, none of them native to the island.

After leaving Aruba, he went to Curaçao from where he plans to go to Bonaire and then to Trinidad, carrying on his work as he goes. Following this he will make his way up the Amazon River and work his way through the jungle, hiring boats and other transportation as he goes along.

Undaunted by his advancing years, Dr. Bailey is planning several more trips about the world, among them to tropical Africa and Eurasia.



Some like lightning and some don't. Like it or not, it's a common port of Aruba for the two or three months each year, when 10 tankers over Venezuela almost every night, and often move over to the nearby Aruba. For a closer look at what makes these displays so violent, see above, where appeared a million volts in crashing onto the earth. The picture was taken from the lake tanker "Temblador," as it left the La Balsa barge dock in Lake Maracaibo.

## Council's Gift Received, Red Cross Sends Thanks AROUND THE PLANT

The \$1,500 recently sent by the Lago Community Council to help victims of the recent earthquake disaster in Santo Domingo was a great help to the local Red Cross in easing some of the suffering caused by the catastrophe. This news was received last month by A. S. MacNutt, president of the Council, from R. C. Horne, president of Esso Standard Oil S.A. (Caribbean), in the Dominican Republic.

When reports of the earthquake came, the Council thought that it might be able to help the stricken people. A cable was sent to Mr. Horne asking his advice as to the way in which money donated would be most useful. His reply suggested the Dominican Red Cross and a check was immediately sent.

When the gift arrived, Mr. Horne, acting as agent for the Council, presented the check to Dr. Julio Pineyro, president of the Dominican Red Cross. Accompanying Mr. Horne was Linus G. Harth, district manager for Esso Standard in Ciudad Trujillo and formerly of the Light Oils Finishing Department here in Aruba.

A few days later Mr. Horne received a letter from Dr. Pineyro expressing his own and the Red Cross' deepest thanks for the generous gift.

## Publication Mailing Discontinued

After two and a half years of mailing copies of the Aruba Esso News and the Fan Aruba to its employees on military leave (and to the soldier-sons of employees) the Lago Community Council recently closed its books on this activity after mailing out nearly 10,000 copies of the two publications. Credit is due to Gerry Malloy of the Accounting Department, who first handled the work when he was president of the Council. Later, when he was no longer on the Council, he continued to coordinate the work with the assistance of his office staff, using Council funds to cover the cost of postage.

With a wartime maximum of 80 men on the mailing list, the papers carried news of Lago and Aruba to men stationed elsewhere from Okinawa to the Persian Gulf.

Upon receipt of news that his father was ill in Cuba, Bernard Marquis, ship operations clerk and newly appointed Esso News reporter for the Marine Department, left for Havana by plane October 24 to spend a six-week long vacation with his family. It will be the first time he has seen them in 25 years.

Johannes Winklaar of the Dining Hall is learning about Curaçao all over again these days. He is now back there after a 27 years absence. Johannes and Willem van Anholt, also of the Dining Hall, left Aruba in the latter part of October to enjoy their vacations there. With six and four weeks respectively to spend in Curaçao, the pair should come back with their memories well refreshed.

Drydock long vacations in November include Federico Madiuro, welder helper, who left for six weeks November 1. On the same day James Lovell of the propeller gang started eight weeks. Leonardo Leest, a carpenter helper, leaves November 11 for four weeks. Benedito Geerman will leave his pie driver for six weeks, starting on the 15th. On the following day, welder George Lovell will start his six weeks. Alvin De No-grica, a welder, and Karel Ponson, a sailmaker, will start eight weeks and four weeks respectively November 18.

Winnie Romer of the Personnel Department left for a four week vacation in Curaçao November 1, where she is visiting her brother.

## Woodward New Lago Director

At a meeting of the Lago Oil & Transport Co. Board of Directors held here October 8, J. W. Woodward, marine manager, was elected a director to fill the vacancy created by L. G. Smith's transfer to New York.

Mr. Woodward started with the Company at Bayonne in 1920, after Army service in the first World War. Several years ago he was in charge of standard port operations in New York Harbor. During the war he served with the War Shipping Board for a time as chief of tanker operations in the Canal Zone area. He came to Aruba December 28, 1945.

Segundo parti di "Lago Durante Anjanan di Guerra" ta cuminzá na página 4 di e número aki.







Cuba's Eva Rodriguez whirled about the floor in the snappy movements of various Latin American dances as she and her partners regaled before audiences in Aruba recently. Stopping here during a trip through the area, the Cuban dancers are seen in three pictures as they performed at the Lago Club October 11. In the upper picture Miss Rodriguez and partner Miguel Heala swing their way through a Salsa. Below, she is seen in another Latin dance. (Pictures by S. Rajneep and W. McDermett.)



Aki Yiba nes ta mira e team di Aruba Varsity Baseball End net prome cu nan a hunga cu Lago All Stars. A.V.B. a gana 3-0. Mian a hunga e wega pa grupo y a gana 1-0 cu toke na toke na October. E siguiente dia A.V.B. a gana un wega hunga cu Oranjestad. L-10 Para nes ta mira C. Mouton, M. Fingel, M. Leclaire, F. Kishsoon, E. Capriles, y A. Brekhan. M. radon, A. Jullis, P. Jullis, F. Tromp, J. Brekkoop, E. Arman.

A picked team from the Aruba Varsity Baseball played a Lago All Star team October 26 and 27 in a pair of practice games to help choose Aruba representatives in the October Olympiad at Barranquilla. The A.V.B. team, shown above, won both contests, 3 to 2 and 1 to 0.



**Surinam Concert Artist Presented by Art Circle**

With a concert pianist last week, and a renowned group of singers next week, the Aruba Art Circle is doing outstanding work in bringing cultural features to Aruba.

Their newest presentation takes place Sunday, November 10, at 8:15 p.m. when the Fisk Jubilee Singers give a program of negro spirituals and classical songs. The group includes five men and one woman.

Music-lovers were highly enthusiastic over the performance given October 29 by Miss Hajari, a top-ranking concert pianist from Surinam. Miss Hajari, who studied at the Amsterdam Conservatory, spent the war years in Holland, only recently returning to Surinam. She was brought here by the Surinam Club. After further appearances in South America, she plans to go to the United States. In addition to customary concert numbers her program includes several of her own compositions based on Hindu rhythms.

The Sociedad Bolivariana was the scene of an art exhibit for ten days last month, when the works of 12 Netherlands painters were shown. Several of the artists have paintings in Holland's largest museums, and have exhibited in the United States and various places in Europe.

Harold James of Personnel left October 26 for his home in Dominica. He has eight weeks to spend visiting his family there. On his way he planned to stop off at St. Martin, St. Kitts, and Antigua.

**Ex-Personnel Employee Returns From Indies**

Ewald Woiski, formerly of the Personnel Department, should know the southwestern Pacific pretty well by now. He returned to Aruba recently with a good deal of travel in that area behind him.

Ewald left Aruba for New York in December, 1944, to enter the Netherlands Red Cross. He then went to California, and from California, sailed for Hollandia, New Guinea. There he changed ships and went to Australia where he stayed for a few days and then travelled back to Hollandia to act as an air transport officer attached to the Netherlands Army.

After a seven-month stay at Hollandia he moved down to Batavia, Java in November, 1945. He remained in Batavia for a month and a half as medical supply officer and later spent two and a half months in Singapore getting medical supplies together. Ewald then went back to Batavia where he stayed until August, 1946, when he came back to Curacao via the Indian Ocean, up through the Red Sea and the Suez Canal, out through the Mediterranean and across the Atlantic to New York.

Upon his arrival back in Curacao he was demobilized. He doesn't know yet what he will do in the near future.

**Draw Ends King's Cup Series Surinam Team Plays Football On Weekend Curaçao Journey**

With the playing to a draw of the one-day championship cricket match between the Cambridge C.C. XI and the British Guiana C.C. XI at Lago Sport Park on October 27, His Britannic Majesty's Cup was still unclaimed. The match ended at 189 for all for Cambridge and 75 for 8 for British Guiana at the close of play.

Starting at 11 o'clock in the morning the Cambridge team batted first and showed considerable strength, putting several men in the double figure column. By the time B.G.'s turn came to bat it seemed doubtful whether they could overcome the large lead that Cambridge had amassed. Consequently, at the fall of the sixth wicket the B.G. captain decided to play for a draw, and by batting cautiously the team was able to reach the close of play with two wickets to go.

As a presentation match November 3, the British Guiana team was pitted against "the Rest" last Sunday, with B.G. winning, 160 for 9 to 141 for all.

After the game, trophies honoring the performances by individual players during the series were presented by Asst. General Manager O. Mings. Highest batting average was William Smith of the B.G. club; highest individual score, H. Dalrymple of Dominica C.C.; bowler taking most wickets, C. Worrell of Cambridge; and best bowling average, S. Spamer of St. Eustatius. Since Cambridge declined to play a match to break the tie of the last game, a lien on the big cup was awarded to British Guiana, and their name goes on the Lago Shield.

Flying to Curacao in a chartered plane the weekend of October 12-13, the Surinam football team played a series of two matches against Curacao teams. The Surinam team, composed of Lago employees, played their first match October 12 against Jong Curacao and came through victorious to the tune of a 2-1 score. But on the following day the Surinamers were not as successful, for their match with Jong Holland (of Curacao) came out with the Aruba boys on the short end of the score, 3-1. Outstanding in both games was Willem Echteld of the Training Division.

After the final game, the visitors were guests at a dance given in their honor by the Curacao teams. The trip ended Monday morning when the players arrived back in Aruba in time to go to work. The trip was arranged by Henri Nassay of No. 3 Laboratory, Ronald Abrahamson of Accounting, and Jim Leyzner of Electrical.

Ricardo Van Harecum, Eseo News reporter for the Colony Service Office, is planning a nice week vacation in Colombia. He will leave Aruba by air with his family for Barranquilla November 16, and travel from there to Medellin and then on to Bogota. Later they will return to Barranquilla, where Vito went to school 22 years ago. After seeing the December Olympiad, the family will return to Aruba by way of Maracaibo, La Guaira, and Curacao.

Nepti heads to gabi casa nen, y Raymond Feliciano ta un di nan. El a casa cu Elizabeth Cruz dia 26 di October na Bata di un matrimonio conceptual na Sta. Cruz. Despues di a ceremonia a sigui un reception. E paraha ta biba na Ayo. Na banda drechi, Instructor C. R. Real ta presentu cu un regalo di su condiscipulnan, dia 26 di October.



Most people favor marrying young, and Raymond Feliciano, fourth-year apprentice, agrees with most people. He was married October 23 to Elizabeth Cruz at the Catholic Church at Santa Cruz with a reception after the ceremony. The couple will live in Ayo. At right, Instructor C. R. Real presents a cash gift from his classmates October 26.

With a sizable check as a wedding gift, Bernardo Luyden's friends at the Colony Commissary bid him the best of luck in his married life. Bernard and Margarita Arends were married in the Church of the Sacred Heart at Savaneta on October 23. Cemetery supervisor Frank Ciccarillo is making the presentation in the picture below.

In the picture below at right, Richard Trimmingham receives from Hugh McCubbin (and the Foundry employees) a handsome check set so a wedding gift. Richard married Viola Osborne in Grandstedt October 26. A reception followed at the couple's home.



# THE WAR YEARS

## AT LAGO

### 1939-1945 A SUMMING - UP

(PART 2)

#### ATTACK!

**WHEN** Aruba went to bed the night of February 15, 1942, it expected the usual good night's sleep. The war in Europe was far away, and while there had been a few ship-sinkings in distant parts of the Caribbean, the U.S. Army Air Forces had established squadrons of bombers and fighters that patrolled regularly out of Dakota Field.

The British troops, mostly veterans of Dunkirk, had sailed away February 13, after the Berlin radio, which was taking too personal (and accurate) an interest in us, had announced the name of their ship and the sailing date. Over a thousand American troops had landed February 11, and their big and little guns, field telephone wires, search lights, and big stockpiles of shells beginning to appear in isolated places were exciting and at the same time a great comfort. The troops were still setting up their equipment, but in a few more days would be ready for action. A practise blackout several weeks before, checked by L. G. Smith from the top of the Alky Plant tower and by J. S. Harrison from a circling plane, had been a big success, partly because the main Colony switch was pulled.

Bedded down at the Guest House was General Frank Andrews (who later in the war was lost when his plane was shot down by a Messerschmidt near Iceland). Accompanying the General on his tour of Caribbean defenses were newspaper photographers and journalists, including Walter Davenport, one of Collier's roving editors.

At 1:30 a.m. next morning, February 16, the reporters had an eye-witness news story they hadn't bargained for. With a thundering explosion followed immediately by flames rising a hundred feet into the night sky, a torpedo ploughed into the midships section of the lake tanker "Pedernales", anchored just off the reef. A few minutes later the "Oranjestad", anchored several hundred yards away, also took a torpedo and appeared to dissolve into a sheet of flame. Then tracer shells from the submarine's deck gun began to arch over the lagoon into the refinery area and to the north of it.

As people were roused, lights popped on all over the Colony, then were doused as switches were pulled. Cars began to stream toward the waterfront, many with lights on until the drivers realized this was no accidental fire, but war.

One ship, the "Pedernales", gradually drifted away, taking its lake of blazing oil along with it. After nearly an hour the "Oranjestad" sank where it was anchored. (The spot was marked by an oil slick for two or three years afterwards.)

(A lucky ship was the "Hooiberg", which had approached to within a short distance of the "Pedernales" and "Oranjestad" when the torpedoing began, and somehow was overlooked by the submarine as it ran for the nearest Venezuelan shoreline.)

Men struggled for their lives in the fiery water beyond the reef. Ashore,

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# A T A Q U E I

**SEGUN** custumber, Aruba a bai dromi masha tranquil e anochi di 15 di Februari, 1942. Guerra na Europa tabata hopi lewey, y mientras cu tabatin algun sinkamento di vaporan den partian distante di Caribe, Fuerza Aereo Norte Americano a establece un escuadro di bombers and fighters cu tabata haci rond regularmente for di Visneveld Dakota.

Tropanan Ingles, mayoria veteranon di Dunkerkeron, a sali di Aruba dia 13 di Februari, despues cu radio di Berlin, cu tabata tuma un interes demasido personal y eficient den nos, a anuncia number di nan vapor y e fecha di nan salida. Mas di mil tropa Americano a yega ters dia 11 di Februari y nan cabinan grandi y chikito, wayanan pa telefon di campo, noschikito y nan monton di otro articuloan di guerra tabata causa excitacion y na mes tempo un gevoel di seguridad. E tropanan tabata reglando nan equipo alinda, pero dinter di algun dia nan lo tabata cla pa accion mes. Un exercicio di black-out varios siman prome, cu L. G. Smith a check for di top di toren di Alky Plant y J. S. Harrison for di un aeroplano cu tabata circula, tabata un gran éxito, dierd parcialmente na e felt cu e main switch di Colony tabata saká afor.

Den Guest House tabata loeger General Frank Andrews (cu despues a perde den guerra ora cu un Messerschmidt a tira su aeroplano abao banda di Island). E general tabata acompaña riba su viaje di inspeccion di defenan den Caribe pa varios fotografo y periodistaan, entre otro Walter Davenport, un di e editorian di Collier.



1:30 di marduga, 16 di Februari, e reporterman a testiguá un storia riba cual nan no a conta. Cu un explosion terribel, sigui inmediatamente pa vlamnan gigantesco cion pia den laria, un torpedo a ruka mas a menos mei-mei di curpa di e lake tanker "Pedernales", acerá net for di rif. Algun minuut despues "Oranjestad", acerá algun cien yarda mas aleuor, tamba e wordo torpedá y a keda tira na vlam. E ora balanan di e cañon riba dek di i submarino a cuminsa pasa den arena di refinaria y pa noord di djé.

Ora cu hendenan a sparta, henden a cuminsa tende tur caminda den Colony, djé nan a paga atrobe huntu cu luznan di caya ora cu e main switchnan a worde saká. Astorian a cuminsa yena na canto di lamar, cu luznan tendí, te ora cu eonan na situar a realidá cu eñá no tabata candelá accidental, pero guerra!

"Pedernales" a cumalzá drierd bai, huntu cu un lago chikito di azeta kima-mando rond di djé. Despues di cual un ora "Oranjestad" a sink caminda e tabata acerá. (Te dos of tres anja despues, ainda e lugar tabata marca cu un plus di azeta.)

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Steel is twisted like paper in a cargo tank of the "Arkanian". (Left) which was hit by a torpedo which struck at the engine room. The ship was set fire, as it contained only the explosion damage of the torpedo which struck it had been estimated to last gasoline some 30 minutes after the torpedo hit. The picture was taken at Lago's Shipyard, which was temporary repairs to the ship could proceed to the United States for repairs. The only monster below, a German torpedo being inspected by a Dutch and an American sailor, was on the beach at Eagle the morning after the attack. (It was believed to have missed the "Arkanian"). The following day it exploded while a group of ordnance men were trying to dismantle it, killing four.

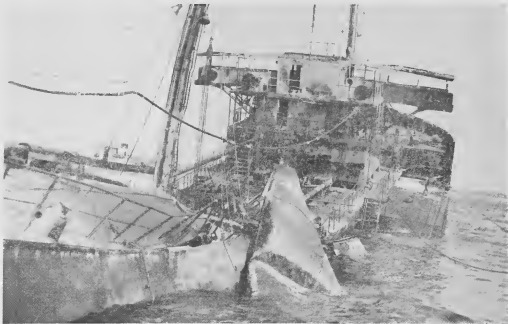
Steel dalá mecos cu papel riba e tanker "Arkanian" (dcha) cual tabata un rana pa un torpedo na wal di Eagle na Oranjestad, e anochi di atuga. E vapor cu tabata den laria, cu e wal di oili solamente porfirio di e explosion di e torpedo mes, pa tanto pa dierd gasoline net 30 minuut despues cu e torpedo a dalé. E portret ta saká na Shipyard di Lago cu e buel reparacionnan temporeario pa e vapor por a sigui pa Merca pa nan drector. . . E monster baxo riba lora, cu te wordo inspectá pa soldadonan Holandes y Americano, ta un torpedo Aleman cu tabata riba beach na Eagle e matina despues di e atuga. (Nan ta supone cu el a bira "Arkanian" cu e torpedo). E siguiente dia e explosion tabata trata di desarmá, explosion di e torpedo a causa cuatro morto.



Graphic reports of the February 16 attacks were given to the Esso News by survivors during the next few days. Some of these, in abridged form:

**Herbert McCall, Master, "Pedernales"**

Awakened at 1:30 a.m. by dull report and a blinding sheet of flames on starboard under bridge. His bedroom immediately ablaze. Out on deck, he saw incendiary shell burst starboard aft. Vessel's back broken forward of mainmast. Port lifeboat was lowered, but at waves keel, lost the cars. The five men forward were in the boat; they broke up bottom boards for paddles, but drifted seaward. At 6:30 a.m. they were picked up by a fishing boat, landed at Oranjestad. Chief Steward had died in boat, third engineer on arrival at San Pedro Hospital, both of burns. Eight were lost, eighteen survived.



Above, the "Pedernales", holed and broken from a torpedo hit amidships, lies anchored off Palm Beach, where it was towed after the February 16 attack. After long weeks of work, Shipyard employees were able to cut it completely in two, and the bow and stern were towed separately back to San Nicolas. The bow hull is shown at right after the return trip. Below, the two halves are on the Drydock together, ready to be joined after the last section of bottom is cut off at the stern portion. At bottom of page, the new sturdy ship, with 124 feet missing in the mid-section, sails for the States, where it was again cut in half and rebuilt.



Aki 'ribo "Pedernales", kòndi y kiterá, net metimel pa un torpedo, ta ankerá na Palm Beach, unda el a wordé pèrsona desguisá di e ataqué di 16 di Februart. Di pèrte di boga sinensá di traha, emplegadónan di Shipyard a logra na curte na tres, E proya y pupa a wordé getowé separá pa San Nicolas. Na banda anochi, e proya ora cu el a habra di Palm Beach. Aki boga, e dos plañeta na riba Drydock hunta, cla pa wordé uni. Man abao, e vapor stomp, listadón 124 pia pie metimel, ta sail pa Merca, unda el a habra wordé curta na dos y re-construí.

**Herbert Morgan, Master, "Oranjestad"**

Awakened by second officer reporting fire on the nearby "Pedernales". Gave orders to prepare to weigh anchor. Reached lower bridge when blinded by torpedo blast. Ship listed immediately, back broken, and burst into flames fore and aft. Retrieved lifebelt from cabin, went to starboard side, met by flames, crossing the ship he fell hard enough to fracture his ribs, and slid back to starboard, stopping against deck pipeline. Made his way to the bow with three mates. They were there nearly an hour, saving clothing in hopes of signaling a launch. When the bow settled they were washed off by the sea. All had lifebelts except second officer, who was lost. Captain Morgan was in the water for an hour, floating through oil the "Pedernales" oil before being picked up by Dutch patrol boat west of harbor entrance. Fifteen were lost, ten survived.

**Sydney Jones, Master, "San Nicolas"**

Was awakened at 3:30 a.m., saw mass of flames three miles away. Acting on standing orders, second officer had already started Ultimate Full Speed away from fire. At 4:00 a.m. hit by torpedo in engine-room, ship listed quickly but no fire. Three men in engine-room were killed. At 4:15 torpedoed again in engine-room, stern was settling. Heavy seas smashed stern lifeboat, Captain and several others thrown clear. Three cars supported six men, all in lifebelts except Chief Officer Kane. At daybreak they could see the ship standing vertically, stern on the bottom. A searching ship and an Army plane missed them. Later they clung to remains of the lifeboat, and saw a capsize surfboat holding four men, including Chief Engineer Brinkworth. Kane, nearly exhausted, rested on the lifeboat's airtank. When the Shell tanker "Ramona" found them, Kane was lost when the airtank turned over in the ship's wash. Shortly before this, Brinkworth had had a line from the "Ramona" in his grasp, but not enough strength to hold it, and was lost.

Seven were lost, eighteen survived.

**James Young, Third Engineer, "La Juana"**

Struck amidships, the "La Juana" flamed immediately, and started to list, but continued forward. Young, acting on second engineer's orders, went down into engine-room to stop the ship (to prevent spreading its burning oil over a wide area). While he was below decks the ship heeled over on its side, and he got out only with the greatest difficulty, after injuring his back and leg. Burning oil was spreading around the ship, and he jumped in and paddled some distance away. He was unable to swim but the lifebelt supported him until he was picked up the next afternoon and taken into Maracaibo. He was one of only nine survivors; seventeen were lost.

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Hombènan tabata lucha pa nan bida den e awa tur na viam banda di rif. Na ters, algun yárdá mas alewe, tabatin poco pánico, pues tiramento riba refinaria tabata masha cortico; e promé reaccion tabata e excitación comun di naturaleza humana presenciano un candela grandi, cu pronto a cambia na horror ora cu nan por a realitzá e consecuencianan trágico. Mirzonnan por a weita e hombernan ta bula di e vaporanan na candela den e awa, tambe na candela.

Loque, afortunadamente, esanan na ters no tabata as, ta cu tabatin un vapor den haaf cu 3,000 ton di TNT abordo, suficiente pa bula heretá Aruba, si tabatin un explosion. E comandante di submarino nunca lo no a haya sa ki un bon dolo el a pereró, ora cu el a dirijí di las e promé torpedo 1.30 di marduga, en vez di poco mas despues. Pues tabata pa casualidad cu e vapor di munición no a sail net desdos or' di anochi, y si el a wordé torpedá na un distancia di algun milla di Aruba, e explosion di 3,000 ton di TNT lo tabatin consecuencianan terribel aki.

Afortunadamente e vapor tabata dilatá pa vía cu tripulantenan kera bebe kofidè promé cu nan a sail. Ora esaki a tuma lugar, e loada a subi abordo y nan a cuminsá saka e vapor (SS "Henry Gibbons") for di dock net despues di un or' y net e tabata bai sail di haaf, "Pedernales" a pega na candela. Capitan di "Gibbons" kera sigal noma, pero e loada a sonda redondamente di saka e vapor y nan a bolbe pa dock unda nan a maza e vapor, y di es moda a salbe di desatre.

Despues cu e vapor di munición tabata riba dock, Capitan John Fernando a sail cu e touboat "Standard" (cu tabata aki di Maracaibo, reemplazando "Delaplaine" cu tabata riba Drydock), pa busca sobrevivientnan. Tabata casi





It took a war to bring hills to Aruba. Here the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders, led by their baggage band, march past the Dining Hall.

La guerra a traza e Scotland cu nan bayanan pila na Aruba. Riba e portret nos ta mira un banda di "Cameron Highlanders" ta marcher banda di Dining Hall.

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only a few hundred yards away, there was little panic as the Logo area was shelled briefly; first reactions were the excitement common to human nature in the presence of a large fire, quickly giving away to horror as the tragic consequences were realized. Watchers could see men jumping from the burning ships into the burning sea.

What those on shore did not know, fortunately, was that there was a ship in the harbor with 3,000 tons of TNT on board, enough to blow half of Aruba flat if it exploded. The submarine commander probably never knew what a choice target he missed in deciding to fire his first torpedoes at 1:30 a.m. instead of a little later. For it was by almost sheer coincidence that the munitions ship had not sailed shortly after midnight, and if it had been torpedoed anywhere within several miles of Aruba the concussion of 3,000 tons of TNT exploding would have had terrible effects here.

The ship was delayed, however, by what was reported to be the crew's wanting coffee before they sailed. With this settled and the pilot on board, the ship (SS "Henry Gibbons") was pulled away from the dock shortly after one o'clock, and was ready to sail out of the harbor just as the "Pedernales" went up in flames. The captain of the "Gibbons" wanted to go ahead and ash, but the pilot refused to take the ship out to almost certain disaster, so it was brought back to the dock and tied up again.

After redocking the TNT, Captain John Fernando took the tug "Standard" (here from Maracaibo) substituting while the "Delaplaine" was on drydock outside the harbor to search for survivors. It was almost impossible to see or hear men in the windy darkness, and the tug found only three. While out they tied up to the bow of the "Pedernales", up wind from the flames, but could find no one there.

Things were hectic in the harbor area, but rapidly coming under control even though some Marine men who had emergency work to do were unable to talk their way past the new and too-efficient American soldiers who were guarding the refinery gates. One man who did get through was General Manager L. G. Smith, who, learning that there was no way to switch off the row of lights along the boardwalk that runs from the Main Dock to the Lake Tanker Dock, was going along throw-

ing rocks at them until all were extinguished.

In the Colony, men and women moved in restless little groups, examining each wild rumor as it came along. Army Air Forces planes droned overhead. Hours later, as the fires beyond the reef flickered out and the ambulance made steady trips to the Hospital with survivors, the Colony settled down into the total blackout of war. The area nearest the tankfarm had been evacuated, with some residents headed down in the Community Church, and others moved in with friends farther away from the millions of barrels of oil and gasoline in storage. (In the first excitement of the shelling, some had wanted to take refuge in the caves on the north side of the island, but so far as is known no one did.)

Out at sea, however, the night and the tragedy were not yet finished. Two hours after the first attack here, the "Tia Juana" and then the "San Nicholas" were torpedoed and sunk, with heavy losses of life.

Just after down the "Yamanote" came within sight of the "San Nicholas" bow sticking up out of the water. Its crew fished Everts, Tang Koon Sau, Sheffield, Spanner, and Martes out of the water, then zigzagged full speed for the Venezuelan shore. They could see a burning vessel some miles away (this was the Gulf tanker "Monagas", whose burned-out hull still rests on the Venezuelan coast), but they didn't investigate because the Shell tanker "Ramona" was cruising nearby for survivors.

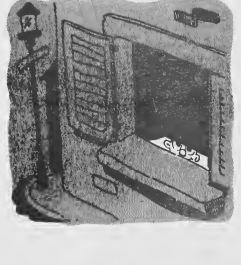
During the night the Oranjestad cable stations had been closed, but early in the morning a cable finally got through to Maracaibo to stop the morning convoy of lakers. It was too late, however, and a number of ships had already sailed, with arrival here scheduled sometime after darkness again gave the submarines good hunting. An airplane was quickly commandeered by the Maracaibo marine people, who set out to head off the ships and shoot them back into the safety of the Lake. The plan seemed a failure, though, because no matter how frantically the men in the low-circling airplane made motions back toward Maracaibo, the men on the ships simply thought they were waving goodbye, and waved back. Finally those in the plane hit on the idea of dropping weighted messages on the ships' decks, and this worked. By the time the first

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The "Punta Gorda", later lost in a tragic blackout collision with the "Ampetoo", had a first mild taste of war in late '39, shortly after hostilities broke out. One night while it was bound for Curacao, a shot came out of the darkness across its bow. With such a thing unheard-of in the peaceful Caribbean, it continued on its way, but a moment later another shell ripped across its bow. This time, fearing a German raider, it stopped, and a boarding party scrambled up on the "Punta Gorda's" deck. It turned out to be only a British patrol boat which, unable to enter neutral harbors itself, wanted its mail dropped off in Curacao.

The same sort of coincidence that saved the ship with 3,000 tons of TNT aboard (see page 6) worked in reverse to sink the "Oranjestad". Just before midnight of February 15, the "Oranjestad" asked by blinker-light when it would move from its anchorage into the harbor. The ship dispatcher blinked back that they would dock at 2 a.m. The dispatcher was wrong—at 2 a.m. the ship was afire, and 30 minutes later went to its final anchorage on the bottom.

Tom Potts, first officer of the "Oranjestad", had often argued with the marine engineering staff ashore when his ship was about to go on the drydock. Sometimes his requests for this or that item of repair work would be turned down, and he would argue about it and sometimes get to feeling that repair lists were a nuisance anyway. At 3 a.m. of February 16 he was looking around in a lifebelt when the tug "Standard" pulled up next to him and hailed him aboard. And Captain Fernando swears that Potts' first words as his oil-drenched figure was pulled over the rail were: "Well, there'll be no more drydock repair lists on her."



"Punta Gorda" cu despues a perde den un choque tragico cu "Ampetoo" pa via di blackout, tabatin un experiencia chikito di guerra na fin di '39, unbez despues cu hostildanan na cuminsu na Europa. Un anochi, navegando pa Curacao, un tiro a pasa dilanti di den seguridad. Tal sorto di cos, desconoci den Caribe pacifico, nan no a paga tin y e vapor a sigui su caminda, pero un momento despues un otro tiro a pasa pegá su dilanti. E bishia aki si nan a kere cu tabata Alemanan, pero ora nan a subi dock a bini resultu cu tabata un vapor di petrol Ingles, cu no por a drenta un haf neutral, y e kera entregá su correo na e tanker pa e hibé Curacao.

E mes un sorto di coincidencia cu a salba e vapor cu tabatin 3,000 ton di TNT abordo (mira página 5) a traha net robes pa sink "Oranjestad". Nel promé cu desdise or di anochi di 15 di Februari, "Oranjestad" a hiba señal cu luz, puntra ki era e por drenta haf pa e anochi. E dispatcher a señal back cu nan lo dock 2'o di marduga. Pero el a herá—2'o e vapor tabata na candela y 30 minuut despues el a anora pa di último vez, den profundo di hama.

Tom Potts, promé oficial di "Oranjestad" semper tabata argumenta cu ingenieronan di Mariné ora cu su vapor mester a bai drydock. Algun bez nan tabata bobo so request pa un of otro articulo of algun reparacion y porfin listanan di reparacion tabata un beridiero fastidio pa Tom Potts. Dia 16 di Februari 3'er di marduga e tabata drent' den un salba-bida ora cu e touboat "Standard" a piki y e Captain Fernando ta hura cu ora nan a hibe abordo, Potts su promé palabranan tabata: "Well, lo no tin mas lista di reparacion pa esun ey".

Captain Chandler of the "Yamanote", whose ship picked up survivors after the February 15, 1942 attack, relates experience to a group of United States newspaper men next day.



Riba e portret nos ta mira Captain Chandler di "Yamanote" cu a piki sobrevivientes despues di e ataque di 15 di Februari 1942, ta conta su experiencia na un grupo di periodista Estadunidense, e dia despues di e ataque.

Ceremony is something you don't stand on in emergencies. While Mrs. W. L. Thomas and Mrs. J. McNab watched the flames at sea from the cliff's edge in front of their bungalows, they heard a call from the bottom of the cliff. It was a survivor from the "Oranjestad" crew. Though injured, he had swum to the reef and then across the lagoon, and now he was anxious to get out of the water. The trouble was, he'd left the "Oranjestad" in too much of a hurry to salvage his pants.

It was no time for ceremony; the women summoned him up the cliff, gave him something to cover himself with, and called for a car to take him to the Hospital.

Soldiers not only sing old songs, they make up new ones, and soldiers here were no exception. The Schutters (conscription of Netherlands nationality at Sabana) had many Papiaменто songs. The following stanza is an approximate translation from one of the most popular:

I asked Dalia how things were at home  
And Dalia answered me sadly;  
Mamma spansks me, Papa wants to kill me —  
My body in a coffin, I'll still want a Schutter.  
Schutters don't care if Mamma doesn't want,  
If Mamma doesn't want, tell Mamma just skip it.

Civilian Casanova found that the mobilized Casanovas were gaining too much popularity, and in competing made the following song, about the Fl. 420 per week salary earned by the Schutters.

Four and twenty can't buy a refrigerator,  
Four and twenty can't buy a good dress,  
Four and twenty can't buy a gas stove,  
Four and twenty doesn't reach to pay the rent.  
If Mamma doesn't want, then Mama is just right;  
If Mamma doesn't want, then Mama judged well.

Jan Vliet was a popular singer in the Schutters' band. The success of many parties, in clubs as well as homes, was owed to the good music played by the Schutters.

(In the Papiaemento version, at the bottom of the page, the band had so much pep that "they could make all the dead people at the cemetery get up and dance"; a lovely description of lively music.)



Ora cu nan tabata trahando riba loque a sobra di "Federnales" (mira página 5) e traseo mester a para pa via di un situacion poco óndoso.

E mei-mei di e vapor tabata bao awa y ora empleadonan di Shipyard tabata bai comiza cu nan coramento, nan a nota un bom riba e dek, mas o menos seis o ocho pa bon di awa.

Tur tabata sa cu submarino no sa tira bon y ningun hende no a tende nada di aeroplano di enemigo e anochi cu "Federnales" a kima. Pero bon no ta cos di hunga cuné, y trahao a para mientras cu nan tabata busca di revé e misterio.

Porfin a bia resulta cu Fuera Atro Americano a usa e vapor kibra como blanco pa nan train bombardé y e bom tabata un imitacion yená cu santo. Despues di esey e empleadonan di Shipyard a sigui cu nan traseo.

Tur hende por corda e canticnan popular di Schutternan. Grandi y chikito, homber y muher, tur tabata canta di e Schutter cu se Dalia:

Mi a puntra Dalia, con ta bai na casa  
Dalia a contesta mi, un poco affigi  
Mamachi ta zuta mi, Papachi ke mata mi  
Mi morto den mi caha, ta schutter mes mi ke.  
Schutternan no tin cuenta cu Machi 'n ke  
Si Machi 'n ke, anto Machi lubud.

Jonkumannan civil tabata haya cu jonkumannan schutter tabata gana mucho popularidad, especialmente cu gnananan y pa haci competencia nan a saka un cantica riba e salario flaco di Fls. 4.20 pa siman di schutterman cu e siguiente refrán:

Cuater cu binti 'n por cumpura un bon shimis  
Cuater cu binti 'n por paga luna di cas  
Si Machi 'n ke, anto Machi tin razon  
Si Machi 'n ke, anto Machi a hunga bon.

Jan Vliet tabata masha conoci pa su cantamento den banda di schutternan. Exito di hopi fiestaenan, tanto ta na clubnan como na casnan di familia, ta debi na musica di schutternan, cu tabatin tanto pep, cu nan por a lanta morto for di santana.



Within a few days after the submarine attack, emergency first aid squads had been organized and trained by the Safety Division. They were ready to go on short notice to any location and do rescue and first aid work under black-out conditions. One of these groups is shown rehearsing. Six of the men are still here. The "tailcoat" is Mark Taylor of Safety. Working on his head are John Opatko of T.S.D. and Ellis Watkins of Instrument. Bill Wagner of Instrument is in the background. Sailing a leg, are Robert Vliet of the Chief (who later served a hitch in the U. S. Marine), and Basilvan Wealdijk of M. & C. Standing in the foreground are Elmer Marx, new gunner, and Al Donoghue, later a Navy diver and now with Great Lakes Garage.

After a few days after the submarine attack, emergency first aid squads had been organized and now have extra pa sabes y den "black-out" bon di condicionnan di black-out. E paret ta muestra un di e gruponan practicando.

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Imposibel pa trase di mira e hendenan den e seguridad y cu suplemento di biéno y nan a haya solamente tres hende. Nan a maza na ora di "Federnales" 'pariba di e viamanen, pero nan no a haya ningun hende ey.

Situacion tabata teribel den haaf, pero poco-poco e tabata biní bon di control, aunque algun homber di Marinero mester a haci trabao di emergencia no por a pasa door di gate, pasobra e soldánan Americano, noty y demasiado efies no tabata ke lega nan pasa. Un hende cu si a logra pasa tabata Gerent General L. G. Smith, cu a tira piedra paga e human un pa un, cu tabata cendi na careda di Main Dock te na Lake Tanker Dock, ora cu e tende cu no tabatin mody di paga nan.

Den Colony, homber- y muherman tabata para den gruponan chikito, wardando noticianan cu por yega cerca nan. Aeroplantonan Americano tabata maza riba nan cabez. Oranan despues, ora cu e candelaanan taba di rif a paga y e ambulance tabata haci viahenan pa Hospital cu sobrevivientenan, Colony a drenta black-out total di guerra. E aerea mas pega cu tankernan a worde evacuá; algun residentenan a pasa anochi den Kerk di Colony y otroman a pasa cerca amigonan cu tabata poco mas aheá di e milionesnan di barilnan di azeta y gasoline cu tabatin na provision.

Den excitacion di e promé momento, algun di nan kera tuna nan refugio

den e cuestanan na banda pa Noord di e isla, pero parce cu nan a cambia nan idea.

Afor den lamar, sin embargo, nochi di tragedia no a caba. Dos ora despues di e promé stashe, "Tia Juana" y despues "San Nicolas" a worde torpedá y nan a sink, cu hopi pérdida di bida.

Despues cu di dia a habri, "Yama-nota" y hendenan a mira proa di "San Nicolas" ta sali riba awa. Nan a haya Evertz, Tang Koon San, Sheffield, Spenser, y Martes den awa, nan a saka y nan a zig-zag pa costa di Venezuela. Nan a mira un vapor na candela algun milia mas alewe (esaki tabata e Golf tanker "Monagas"), pero nan no a investigá pasobra e tanker di Stell "Ramona" tabata cruzando den cercania, buscando sobrevivientenan.

Anochi, estacionnan di radio na Oranjestad tabata cerrá, pero mainta tempran un cable por a pasa pa Maricao, pa stop e convoi di tankernan cu tabata bai salí. Sin embargo, tabata mucho laat, y algun di e vapornan a sali caba. Hendenan di Marine na Maricao, a manda un aeroplano pa spiera e vapornan, manda nan back den seguridad di e lago di Maricao. Ora cu e hombernan di e aeroplano cu tabata circula masha abao, tabata haci seña pa bolbe Maracao, esnan den e vapor a kere cu ta ayó nan tabata yamannan y nan tambe a yama ayó. Porfin nan a bin tira cartanan cu peso riba deck di e vapornan y esaki a logra.

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A part of the wartime scene was the billboard, with morale slogans in three languages, prepared by the Training Division. They were placed both in the plant and in terms and "open" locations.



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one or two ships had turned and retreated full speed for the Lake, the rest of the convoy got the idea and they all hurried for safety.

That night San Nicolas harbor looked like the inside of a sardine can. Except for the Army's TNT ship nothing sailed, and all the ships in the area were ducking into harbors before nightfall until the submarine situation eased off a little and convoy systems could be organized. The number of lake tankers and ocean tankers that could be packed into the harbor's small area when raiders lurked outside was amazing.

The day had been a tense one, with a feeling that the little island was under siege; the fact that the passengers were invisible and struck without the warning that bombing planes must always give added an extra chill to the coming of night.

Fishing boats had brought in some survivors during the morning, and cables from Maracaibo and Curacao had revealed the names of a few more who had been landed there. The Hospital staff had worked endless hours cleaning oil from those who were rescued, and treating burns. Hospital beds held 27 injured tankermen, and 25 others had been treated for minor injuries or burns but not hospitalized. A number of others were at San Pedro Hospital in Oranjestad.

The results of the shelling had been checked: a tank had been hit but not punctured, and a police bungalow north of the lower tank farm had taken a hit. (It was said that a shell had exploded as it came through the roof and had literally showered the bed of a sleeping woman and child with shrapnel, miraculously without touching either of them.)

Before sundown the Army had hauled big guns into the sand dunes between the big and little lagoons, below the harbor, and on the north shore; huge searchlights were everywhere, and anti-aircraft battery went in between the spheroids and the Hospital. Watching these preparations, Colony residents began to feel as if they were inside a fort — one without walls — a fort. The almost constant drone of bombing planes going out on search missions sounded reassuring in daylight but not much so at night.

Most of the plants was shut down until light-shields could be rigged up for the furnaces. (All the sheet-iron roofs of the Pressure Stills later went for this job.) A practise blackout had been scheduled for February 17, but the blackout that began a half hour after sundown February 16 was no practise — it was real, it was solid, and it was permanent.

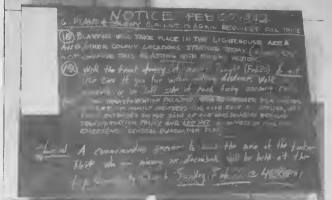
Few people had prepared ventilating blinds of any sort, and most unclosed the louvers up tight, drew curtains across and dimmed the lights besides, and sweated in the heat. Hastily organized teams of blackout wardens, destined to police the Colony and Light Heights for many months, were quick to point out any carelessness.

Most residents near the spheroid field began to begin to spend the night with friends farther away from the plant and tank farm. Dozens of families, especially those with small children, slept with wraps and blankets handy in case the submarines took a second crack at us and a quick evacuation was called for.

And then nothing happened! Most people rose next morning (Tuesday, February 17) with unmarked feelings of relief that the night was over and sheepishness at being so worried.

That night had been quiet, and so was the next. The one after that (February 18) started out with a bang, but ended with a bang at 5:30 a.m. and the 19th, when even heavy sleepers were awakened by tremendous explosions off the east end of the island. Heavy sleepers practically picked themselves up off the floor). Then there was the whisper of big shells passing over the Colony.

Daylight soon revealed the damage, which was much worse on the residential



Bulletins changed daily on big blackboards at the Commissary and Main Gate helped keep false rumors from spreading by giving the correct news whenever possible. As a memory-jogger, a number of these bulletins are printed below:

*"It is authoritatively reported that in Tuesday's action off shore two submarines were destroyed."*

*"Failure to half-staff the flags is not disrespectful or overnight; such practise is not followed during war-time."*

*"Blasting will take place in the lighthouse area and other Colony locations starting today (2:30). Do not confuse this blasting with enemy attacks." (The blasting was for gun emplacement for the 155 mm. Long Tom and other coastal artillery.)*

*"The 'F.H. Bedford' is now at dock unloading additional supplies, but Commissary purchases of certain limited items still will be restricted."*

*"The location of the 'C.O. Stillman' is known. She is still safe and will proceed to Aruba as soon as circumstances warrant."*

*"The early morning shooting today (Thursday) was not caused by enemy attack."*

*This bare announcement, which was all the military authorities would permit Management to say, met various degrees of excitement in the Colony. After much speculation, the Company was allowed to print the following, which cooled the tempers back to normal:*

*"Military communique issued by the General Military at Curacao states: There has been no attack on the Lago Concession at Aruba on Feb. 19 at 5:30 a.m.; the shell splinters that were found originated from our own light shells (star shells) fired to illuminate the sea."*

*"The military authorities have requested civilians to stay away from all army observation, searchlight, and gun locations, after sundown."*

*"Advice has been received (p.m. 3:10) indicating that the 'Esso Boliver' has run into trouble near Cuba en route to Aruba. Condition of ship and cargo unknown but this vessel will probably be out of Aruba service for an indefinite period."*

Salvage work on the wrecked "Federnales" (see page 5) was held up by a freakish situation. The center-deck portion of the ship was submerged, and when Shipyard employees were ready to start their cutting job, someone suddenly noticed an unexploded aerial bomb lying on the deck six or eight feet under water.

It is a well-known fact that submarines don't drop bombs, and no one had heard of any enemy planes being over the island the night the "Federnales" had burned. Still, you don't fool around with an unexploded bomb, so work was stopped while the mystery was unraveled.

It finally turned out that the Army Air Forces had used the bomb as a hand target for bombing practise, and that the bomb was a harmless imitation filled with sand. The salvage work went ahead on there.

state of mind than it was on the planes bit. One shell casing six inches in diameter and eighteen inches long had passed completely through the Esso Club library, knocking over a file cabinet and a counter on the way, and littering half the Club with splintered wood. (A soldier was later heard to remark "Thank goodness it wasn't the bar!") Tex Scheiffarth, living in Bachelor Quarters No. 6, had taken a near miss. A similar shell had gone through his door jamb, passed within inches of his feet as he lay sleeping, then went out through the floor. It ricocheted off the coral, went through the wall of a B.Q. garage, and finally stopped against the engine of a car belonging to Carl Johnson. (Carl at that moment was a passenger on the missing "C.O. Stillman", which was playing hide-and-seek with submarines somewhere along the East Coast.) A third shell bounced harmlessly off a road.

Besides excitement, the shells stirred up some mystery. They were merely half hollow tubes open at one end, with walls over a half inch thick, and looked

more like a section of pipe than an artillery shell. Also, they were empty, yet had not exploded. They had done their damage only by the smashing blow of their 25 or 30 pound weight.

Unfortunately, for security reasons the U.S. Navy at first forbade any official release of the true story; it could only be said that the shelling was not enemy action. However, the rumor was out that the shells were from U.S. warships, and there were many thoughtful complaints about poor shooting or careless target practise. To people whose closest contact with the grim realities of war had been the newsreels, nervousness ("the jitter") was natural.

Several days later the true story was released (see bulletins above) and cooler heads realized that the destroyers protecting our coast and shipping were fighting a deadly enemy, and if they needed quick light on a suspected submarine they could not be too particular where the flare shells' casings landed.

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Ora cu e promé dos of tres vaporanan ta bini, y a cuminsá cargá pa Maracaibo full speed, resto di convoy a comprende y nan a puru baha seguridad.

E anochi haaf di San Nicolas tabata parve sardinchen den biki; cu excepción di e vapor di Zebretico carga cu TNT, ningun vapor no a sa baha. Pero den drenta haaf promé cu corchi cerra, te ora cu situación di submarino a drecha y nan por a organisi sistemaann di convoy. Tabata asamblea cuantio di lake tanker y ocean tanker por a drecha den e área chikito di haaf mientras cu submarino tabata loer p'afor.

Henter dia nerviosan tabata di punto, cu un goveel cu e isla tabata aiti, e fell cu e situronan tabata invisibel y cu nan a ataka sin ningun apertamento, tabata haci susto aumentá segun cu nochi tabata cerra.

Planan di piscador a trece algun sobreviviente mientas, y cabinan di Maracaibo y Curacao duna nombernan di algun mas cu a yega aya. Na hospital nan a traha oronnan largo pa limpá e hombernan tur na azeta y pa curan nan quemaduranan.

Tabatin 27 hombernan di tanker drumi na cama na hospital y 25 mas a haya tratadamento pa nan quemaduranan pero nan no a worde hospitalisá. Tabatin algun na Hospital San Pedro na Oranjestad.

E resultadonan di e tiramento for di dek di e submarino a worde averiguá: un tanki a worde ruck, no por a hora y un otro bala a raka na cas di un polis na e drenta. Un tanki di e balanan a drecha dor di dak, plama scherf tur rika cama caminda tabatin un muher y un jioe chikito drumi, sin mihá cu nan.)

Prome cu tabatin, "Army" a carga cañonnan grandi banda di Lagoon, pa boe di haaf y na costa di noord; tabatin luznan grandisimo tur caminda y cañonan anti-aéreo entre tankinan y Hospital.

Wefandao e preparacionnan aki, habitadonan di Colony a sinti manera cu nan tabata den un forti, pero un forti si muraya. E sonido casi constante di bombernan tabata duna un goveel di seguridad den dia, pero anochi nan sordinaba tabata yuda exaltá nerviosnan un poco mas.

Casi tur planta tabata cerrá, te ora por a traha shermen pa e foroman.

Die 17 di Februari lo tabatin un exercicio di blackout, pero e blackout cu a cuminsá maraoridg di 16 di Februari no tabata eheroico; e tabata realidad, serio y permanent.

Mayoría di residente di tankfarm a bolbe bal pas'uchi cerra amigonan mas alewe di planta y tankfarm. Hopi famianan, especialmente esnan cu jioe chikito tabatin biki y dekelnan y maletan sepaak larani di nan, pa na caso di un segundo ataque, tabata mara, nan por a evacua rapidamente.

Pero nada no a pasa. Pa su mayan maná (Die Mañ, 17 di Februari), tur hende a lanta yeno di soto, pero alivia cu nochi a pasa.

E dos siguiente anochian a pasa quieto, esnan despues di esey (Feb. 18) y a cuminsá queto a caba cu explosionnan pa 5:30 di mariaña, 19 di Februari. Despues, tabatin un sonido di shellnan pasando rika Colony.

Ora di e habri nan a describu e dasonan. Un shell a bati destoro den Esso Club, un otro a pasa dor di porta di Bachelor Quarters, un otro a bati pa para contra motor di un auto eyo. Un otro a tra di rika caminda. E shellnan tabata masha misterioso; tabatin grandi, hol, habri na un banda, busoni sin cas, sin explodi.

Pa motibonan di seguridad U.S. Navy no por a duna mas explicación, sino cu e shellnan no tabata exaltá enemigo. Tabatin rumores cu nan tabata di submarino, pero despues tabatin un sonido di shellnan pasando rika Colony.

Algun dia despues nan a revelá e storia; destroyeron tabata bringa un enemigo mortal, cu tabata na costa y cu nan tabatin mester di luz pa haci esey, ante nan no por tabata mucho particular en cuanto unida e cartuchonan lo bai cai.

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## NAMES IN THE NEWS



A veteran Jersey man, Harry Mills is about to receive his 20-Year Button from the hand of J. J. Verdon, Lago's General manager. October 31. Originally employed by Standard Oil of Indiana in 1926, he transferred to Aruba in 1939. He is now an operator in the Catalytic Department.



A recent visitor to Aruba, Hon. Peter Beetsche, is seen above on the porch of his home in London. Mr. Beetsche is a member of the Legislative Council of British Guiana and stepped here while on a business trip. He visited the refinery and his husband, Arce, while Mrs. Beetsche was on a tour of the refinery and was greatly impressed with the operations. After a nine day stay, Mr. Beetsche and his wife departed for British Guiana November 15.



Dr. Enrique Gonzalez-Navas at right, Consul General of Venezuela, and Mr. J. J. Verdon, General Manager of the LAGO, are seen with Mr. Thomas W. Palmer, head of the Latin-American branch staff of Standard Oil Company (New Jersey), the highest honor his country gives a foreigner. The Palmer received the Order of the Liberator with rank of commander and a ribbon entitled 21 for his contributions in the United States. As head of Jersey Mr. Palmer has spent many years in South American countries and takes an active part in fostering understanding among the Americas.

## Mechanics To Become Pilots

Three of Lago's employees are now the proud owners of a bright shiny airplane. The three men, Miguel Felipe and Albert Nichols of the garage teamed up with Edward Luckhoo of R. & S. to buy a Piper Cub which the Aruba Flying Club had for sale. They were tired of standing around on the ground watching other people fly and wanted to do some of it themselves.

Flying and being around airplanes will be nothing new to Felipe and Nichols as they have been the Flying Club's mechanics for several years now. The men plan to learn to fly and will see where their plane will take them.

## "C.Y.I." Winners Reach 19 Take 460 Guilder Total

At the top of the "C.Y.I." list for October, and winning 300 guilders as his share of the total was Chris Schwengle. His high money idea was to replace suction to the Sidestream Strippers pumps at the Pressure Still with a tee.

Other awards were: Edm. Wijk, Fls. 20.00, signs for Marine Department. Reginald Hartogh, Fls. 25.00, install chamber water line on units area at LEAR. Wilfred D'Agular, Fls. 10.00, relocate inlet valve of No. 12 Debitaminator bottoms.

Sydney Alleyne, Fls. 50.00, restraping of cone roof tanks. Eusebio Arenas, Fls. 10.00, eliminate safety hazard at wooden platform northeast of No. 12 V. B. P. separator.

Louis Duzanson, Fls. 15.00, decrease loss of oil at separator box at L.O.P. Department. Edmond Johnson, Fls. 20.00, relocate suction valve handle on slurry pump at PCAR.

Edmund Armstrong, Fls. 25.00, alterations for tank gauge tickets. Ivan Bacchus, Fls. 15.00 issue gas mask to person manufacturing "Fisher" solution at Lab. No. 2.

Edgar Leyner, Fls. 15.00, improve working conditions at Control house of Nos. 3, 4, 5, 6 & 7 Rerun stills.

Harry Nahar, Fls. 15.00, eliminate safety hazard at rundown lines east of cooler box at No. 10 Grade Still. John Dwyer, Fls. 20.00, remove drinking water line at Rodger's beach.

Walter Suizer, Fls. 15.00, eliminate safety hazard at hole north of No. 9 V.B. unit.

Hubert Teekling, Fls. 30.00, install bioactive on overhead line from No. 3 cooler outlet to separator.

Norman Lewis, Fls. 15.00, eliminate or change position of 1 1/2" drain line and valve from pumps 602 & 653; Fls. 25.00, install bubble tower pan control glass in No. 11 Gasoil unit's control house.

Norman Connell, Fls. 25.00, improvements for tugboat operations. Arthur Brown, Fls. 15.00, widen walkway south of L. O. Training building to permit transportation of 40 gal. fire extinguisher.

## Night Service Begun At Aruba's Dakota Field

Lights may be seen to flood across Dakota field every night now, since K.L.M.'s schedule has been revised and night flights to and from Aruba were instituted November 1.

The new schedule brings in passengers from Miami, Curacao, Maracaibo and other points at all hours of the night and very early morning, in addition to the regular daytime flights.

The increase in the number of flights per day has necessitated an increase in staff at the field and now two shifts handle the various complications of baggage, customs, and reservations for the incoming and outgoing travelers.

The new schedule of more flights is part of the realization of K.L.M.'s plans to make Aruba the hub of its West Indies service.

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## Instrument Group Finds Society Under Dutch Law



Probably the largest gathering of Instrument men was in Aruba for some time last October 5 to install the officers of the newly formed Instrument Society of Aruba. They are, standing left to right: L. W. Crippen, Mr. R. Muller, E. S. Steiner, Mr. F. Hughes, J. H. Zausell and P. E. Jensen. In the center row are A. E. Rothbauer, W. A. Koopman, G. L. Kaston, H. A. Davidson, L. L. McGrew, E. Scholten, and A. B. Minkwitz. Seated on the floor are E. Pfeiffer, J. L. Lopez, D. Fryback, E. J. Minkwitz, A. Halperst, and W. O. Weber. Missing from the picture are C. L. Williams, G. Jensen, and W. de Pauw. (Note: The girl at Crippen's right is not a member of the club.)

## Need For Technical Men Declared by S.O.D. Head

R. P. Russell, president of Standard Oil Development Company declared November 2, that there was a crying need for thousands more young scientists and engineers, predicted a bright future for them in the oil industry, and told of his company's plans for stimulating scientific education.

On "The Voice of Business" program, originating from Washington, D. C., Mr. Russell said that greatly expanding research activities of our industries, large and small, offer great opportunities to youngsters with technical skill. As an example of the rapid growth of research and development in industry, Mr. Russell, who directs the principal research and technical organization of Standard Oil Company (New Jersey), revealed that his company's research staff had grown from 458 men and women in 1936 to 1,900 today. Still further increases in the staff are expected when necessary facilities and personnel are available, he added.

Mr. Russell, estimating that the war interrupted the education of about 150,000 engineering and science students, said it would be several years before the shortage of scientists could be overcome. He said that universities were stretching their capacities and taxing their facilities to the utmost to meet the demand. He said it was encouraging that many veterans were taking scientific training under the G. I. Bill of Rights.

Mr. Russell said his company hoped to stimulate scientific education by setting up additional scholarships and fellowships and by increasing research grants to universities.

## W.A.C. Na Europa Ta Haya Bida Aya Masha Interessante

Segun un miembro di Puzera Amerikano bida na Austria ta masha interesante.

Shirley Harms, ÷oe di ESSO NEWS reporter pa Boller Shop, Mario Harms, ta skirbi cu Austria ta un lugar di experiancianan nobo pè. Algun luna pasá di a sail di America den un grupo di 500 Waca abordo di e vapor di tropa "George Washington" y nan a yega Bremerhaven, Alemania. Di ey nan a sigi te na Salzburg, Austria unda Shirley ta traha den departamento di Personal. Et a trahá Hitler su casa na Berchtesgaden.

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At a picnic followed by a business meeting at the beach cabana of E. L. Wilkins, the Instrument Society of Aruba installed its first set of officers November 5.

The Society at present has 22 members and was formed for the purpose of furthering the knowledge of its members in the field of instrumentation and allied subjects. The Society has submitted its statutes to the government for approval and will incorporate under Dutch law as soon as it is secured. In addition, plans are being made for affiliation with the Instrument Society of America.

The group will meet once a month for lectures, study, discussion, or occasional movies procured from the States. Between meetings the I.S.A. Bulletin will appear, which will give the members information on instrument activities and development.

The officers installed at the meeting were A. S. MacNutt as president, J. L. Lopez as secretary and W. A. Koopman as treasurer.



## "Mama", Pushi di Laundry "Ta Haci Mes Trabao cu "Minnie"

Mescos e Compania na Bayway, Lago tambe tin su "Minnie Esso", e pushi famoso di Standard Oil Development Company pero empleadonan di Laundry ta yamá simplemente "Mama". Mama tin cuater anja na Laundry y awor e ta perterné ey casa.

Algun anja pasá Laundry tabatin masha trabao cu djakman cu tabata danja tur panjanan cu tabata bin pa la. Trempanan no tabata duna ningun resultado y un empleado a dicidi di trece un pushi. Asina cu Mama a yega, el a pone man na obra y unda djakman a caminá desaparecí. Virginia Barrios, cu a mira pa Mama di dia cu el a yega ta bisa cu Mama a paga pa su mantencion baba, cu tur e perhuacionan cu el a spar Compania.

Ora cu Mama tabatin algun tempo na Laundry y cu djakman a cuminsá bato, e empleadonan di Laundry tabata teme cu Mama lo a bai, pero parce cu e tabata satisfecho cu su caso nobo y di tempo ey el a keda.

Algun tempo pasá dos di Mama su jioenan a sail den ESSO NEWS, ora cu nan a brula den panjanan cu a bai pa Hospital. Mama a camina bosca nan tur caminda y e no a sogaá sino te ora nan a manda e muchanan Laundry atrobe.





# Oil and Water "Mix" To Make Water



Making fresh water out of sea water is the continuous job of No. 2 Evaporator, above. Running constantly, it furnishes part of the water we drink. Over at the left of the picture is a tank built which has just been removed from one of the boilers. The whitish stuff is the lube-oil built up on the inside of the boiler which must be scraped off every day.

Oil make water? Not exactly, for everyone knows that oil and water just won't mix. In Aruba, however, hot oil has a lot to do with the making of a part of the fresh water used here.

For a refinery and colony which together require over a million and a half gallons of fresh water daily, here which pumps 3 hundred million gallons of sea water, we have three evaporator plants which combine to produce about 1 million gallons a day, or more than a half of the needed fresh water.

The evaporated water has two uses; it is used in the boilers in the plant and also as drinking water. The major portion of the evaporated water made is used in the 28 boilers of varying types and sizes throughout the refinery. In addition, a certain amount is sold to ships that need it for their boilers.

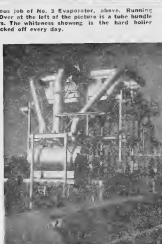
Lago's drinking water is composed at present of two different kinds of water. One is the water we make here out of sea water in the evaporator plants and the other is brought in by ships from the States. At different times our drinking water may be almost all imported, or it may contain a high percentage of evaporated water. This depends largely on the amount of water the ships bring in. In the past year the drinking water has generally been made up of about 60 per cent imported water and the remainder of the locally made product.

The fresh water is produced in two ways, both using sea water to start with. At one of the evaporators, hot oil greatly assists the water-making process by heating the sea water which is used as cooling water in some of the various operations in the refinery. This hot water comes from the process units to the evaporator where it flows into a vacuum tank which reduces the boiling point to a much lower temperature than that at which water normally boils. In this way a part of it is boiled off as vapor, which is condensed and the fresh water is stored for eventual use in boilers. This "waste heat" method of producing water is not new. Conditions here are practically ideal for its use, with huge quantities of sea water being pushed through the refinery daily and becoming hot on the way.

In the other two evaporator plants, which produce the greater part of our fresh water, live steam is the heating agent. The vapor produced is condensed to fresh water and stored for later use.

Persons who think that drinking water is just about the purest water there is, may be surprised to learn that boiler water is purer than the water they drink. The human body needs small quantities of salts and other minerals contained in ordinary drinking water. Boilers, however, require water containing less of these impurities, for as water boils and vaporizes it leaves the impurities behind in a solid form which collects on the boiler tubes as scale and cuts down the efficiency of the boiler.

Every day at the evaporator plants, men are seen cleaning white, rocklike scale from the tubes of the evaporator boilers. Scale forms on these units in great quantities because the water used in them is the salt and mineral filled



Evaporator No. 2 above, situated south of Petroleum No. 1, is the one which makes use of the hot sea water coming from the refinery. The water is fed into the big vacuum tank at the top of the unit and the salt free water obtained there is condensed in fresh water boxes and pumped away for future use.

## Refineria Ta Usa Hopi Sorto di Awa

Den refinaria ta usa hopi sorto di awa. Pa trina e azeta den stillan ta usa awa di lamar. For di poznan ta haya awa brank pa laba y pa otro obhetnan. Awa di bebe ta consisti di awa cu ta hini di Merca cu tankerman y di awa di lamar cu ta worde distila den refinaria.

E mihor awa ta bai den boilernan, pa produci stoom pa operacionan di planta. E awa aki mester ta mas puro cu awa di bebe, pasobra den awa di bebe mester tin un cierto cantidad di salo y otro mineral cu ta necesario pa cuerpo humano; den boilernan, sinembargo, mester di awa henteramente puro, pasobra ora e awa hira stoom, mineralnan ta keda den e boiler y nan ta forma un casca, manera sa tin den kete, pero hopi mas dikli y na cantidad mucha mas grandi, pa yiu cu e awa di lamar ta sainsa salo. E casca aki ta mengu cu eficiencia di boilernan, p'ese y awa di mas puro no ta pa bebe, sino pa boilerman.

For di awa di lamar, pues, e awa di mas puro aki ta worde produci na tres lugar den planta, entre nan Evaporator No. 1, Evaporator No. 2 y na Evaporator No. 3. E portretnan ta muestra dos di e evaporatornan, cu ta percurá pa parti di e awa cu nos ta usa.

## Veterans Advisor Visits

Visiting Aruba from New York is Kenneth E. Yandell, veteran's advisor for the Standard Oil Co. (N. J.). Mr. Yandell served in the Navy during the war and upon his release from the service rejoined the Company as veterans advisor charged with the task of assisting ex-service men with their problems. At present he is in Aruba in connection with safety work

sea water from which fresh water is made.

In refineries, without water there would be no oil. Here the process works both ways, for without the oil to heat it we would not have a part of the water we need.

## Good Life in Occupation Army Writes W.A.C. in Austria

Living in Austria as a part of the U.S. Occupation Forces is not such a bad life according to one of the members of the U.S. Army.

Shirley Harris, daughter of Marjorie Harris, Esso News reporter for the boiler shop, writes that Austria is a land of new experiences for her. As a member of the Statistic Department of a Personnel unit in the W.A.C. stationed in Salzburg, she has been in Austria for several months now and finds life there very interesting and at times exciting. Her travels about the area, she visited Hitler's retreat at Berchtesgaden and saw "Der Ex-Fuhrer's" living quarters.

She was amazed by the tunnels which honeycomb the mountain, reaching at times depths well over 1000 feet. She also visited some of the large cities, many in ruins. This was particularly true in Munich, which she said was practically flat.

Shirley's unit is living in an Austrian pension and claims that it's very comfortable. She has accumulated so many souvenirs that she is afraid of the day when she will have to pack them all together to leave.

## "Vuelos de Noche" Instituto Na Dakota Veld

Tur anochi Dakota Veld ta brilla di luz, awor cu servicio di S.L.M. a worde revisa y vuelonan di anochi a worde institui na Aruba dia 1 di November.

Pasaheronan ta yega di Miami, Curacao, Maracaibo y otro puntanan tur ora di anochi y marduga ademais di vuelonan regular di dia.

E aumento den cantidad di vuelonan a haci necesario un aumento den personal tambe y awor tin dos shift pa atende e complicacionan di equipamento y reservacionan pa viaherosnan.

E servicio nobo cu mas vuelo, ta parti di realizacion di plananan di K. L. M. di haci Aruba e centro di nan servicio na West-Indie.

## "Mama", Laundry Rat-Catcher Does Same Work as Bayway Cat

Not to be outdone by the Standard Oil Development Company in Bayway, Lago's laundry has its own version of "Mama's Esso," the famed Development Company cat, but Laundry employees simply call her "Mama". Mama has been at the Laundry for over four years and is now a permanent fixture there.

Some time ago, "Mama" was having a great deal of trouble with rats damaging clothes brought in to be washed. Traps had failed to do a satisfactory job of getting rid of them, so someone brought Mama in. She went to work and the rats immediately started to disappear. Virginia Barnes, who has taken care of Mama since she came to the Laundry, says that she has paid for her keep many times over in the damage claims she has collected for the Company.

For a while after she had come to the Laundry, the employees were afraid she would leave when the rat-catching slowed down, but she was happy in her new home and has remained there ever since.

## W.A.C. Na Europa

Continad di pagina 1 gnan y e a keda asombra di e tunnelnan cu tin un diametro di e mas cu 1000 pi hundo. E ta bisita varios stadnan grandi, y e ta bisa cu esur tur ta na ruina, especialmente Munich.

Shirley ta bisa den un pension Austriaco y na enfrento tin un castaño di Mozart, cu a nace na Salzburg. Loque e ta goza masha te a bida Austriaco cu ta toca tur clase di muzik, pero un cos cu ta duna hopi trobrel ta e tipewriternan Aleman, cu ta keda constantemente diryente di esnan Aleman.

Den un di su último cartanan Shirley ta bisa cu e a troca tres pak di cigar pa un cuadro masha bonito, pintá na man. E cuadro di esur cu e colecciona hopi otro souvenir y e no sa con lo e haci pa pak tur e cooman ora e mester hai di Austria.

# Esso-News

Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, continuing its search for oil along the Atlantic Coast, recently began drilling its first exploratory well in Maryland on a site three miles north of Ocean City. The well will be drilled to at least 5,000 feet.

Standard of New Jersey holds leases for approximately 80,000 acres of state-owned properties in the area. This will be the company's second exploratory well operation on the Atlantic. The first, at Cape Hatteras, was plugged as a dry hole, but not before some valuable geological information had been obtained. This well was driven to a depth of 10,064 feet. The Hatteras project climaxed two years of study by ESSO geologists of the Atlantic Coastal Plain region.

## PERSONALITIES

Luis Geremia, of the Tin Shop, and Maria Adelfina Masuro were married in Santa Cruz November 28. The wedding took place in the Church of the Immaculate Conception and was followed by a reception at the bride's home.

Veder Blackburn, of the Hospital, left Aruba for nine weeks November 15. Veder planned to go to her home in Grenada which she hasn't seen in seven and a half years.

Many of the Drydock forces have long vacations in November and early December. Pedro Thoth left for four weeks November 8. George Gabriel left November 25 for nine weeks on a trip to his wife's home in Colombia.

On December 2, Circuncion Albertz will leave for six weeks and James Hazel will go for eight weeks. Thems De Cuba will take four weeks December 5. On the 6th, Daniel Angelo will take seven weeks. Crisno Manero gets five weeks, as does Alberto Figueroa, and Cipriano De Kort will start four weeks. Nicolas Thijsen starts four weeks December 14.

December 16 will see the departure for eight weeks of Oswald Leonard and Eduardo Schoborg goes for six weeks.

Stella Thomas, recently of the M. & S. Stenographic staff, is leaving December 2 to visit Holland with her husband for four months.

Esso News Reporter for the Mason Department, Federico Ponson is now enjoying a four week vacation at home.

Alberto Oshipo, of the Boiler Shop, is now on a ten week vacation in Surinam visiting his family. He hadn't seen them for many years.

Alvin "Bobby" Every, of the Acid Plant, who recently returned from a long vacation spent in Saba with his family, reports the fishing there to be excellent. His 27 day's catch amounted to 530 fish weighing from three to ten pounds. Bobby expects to do as much fishing as he can now to try to better his Saba record.

Durante su vacancie cu a cuminda 20 her November, Francisco Petrovich di Acid Plant ta casa cu Johanna Antonia Petrovich na Misa di Santa Ana na Noord. E casamento lo tuma lugar dia 27 di November. Despues lo sigui un recepcion na cas di Djurid. E parha lo bira na Noord.

Simoen Noguera of the Acid Plant will be leaving on his long vacation December 14. He hopes to spend as much time as possible visiting and seeing the sights of Colombia in company with other Lago Employees, among them an Esso News Reporter, E. Gordon Ollivierre, who will act as a guide.

## Settling down to it . . .

February 19 (1942) had started in a war-like way, with explosions at dawn off the eastern tip of Aruba, followed by big flare-shell casings ripping through the Esso Club and a Bachelor Quarters. (See Esso News of November 8.)

This excitement was followed the next morning by another incident that had a touch of humor mixed in it. While a destroyer or two hovered a mile offshore to take up convoy duty, three ocean tankers steamed out of the harbor. They were the first to leave the protection of the harbor since the submarine action of three days before. Many people on shore watched with interest as Aruba moved its first oil since the attack of February 16.

One ship, the "Typhoon", had just passed through the opening in the reef when two muffled but heavy explosions shook the refinery.

The refinery was only shaken, but the bravery of the "Typhoon's" crew was broken all to pieces. They had been in the harbor the night of February 15-16, and had seen the lake tankers burn. They had heard bombers overhead, and seen sudden beams from the Army's big searchlights seeking out suspicious objects off the coast at night. They had also heard the explosions at sea just the night before. To them these two explosions meant enemy action, and they promptly lowered the lifeboats and rowed back into the harbor.

It was an embarrassed group of sailors that reboarded their ship later in the day and sailed again, after they learned that the blasts were only depth charges dropped by the destroyer that was waiting outside to protect them.

There was no doubt that submarines were all around, though they never again made an attack on the island itself. The "Sun" was brought in February 21, torpedo-ripped but still afloat, for temporary repairs by the hard-working Shipyard forces. A few days later the "Thalita" was sunk between Aruba and Colombia, with the loss of only one man.

The night of February 21 a submarine was seen outside the harbor; a small coast gun reported having hit it, with no visible effect except that it disappeared. After midnight February 25 the periscope and conning tower of a submarine were seen outside the east entrance of the harbor, and at 5 a.m. one was at the west entrance, apparently preparing to fire a torpedo through the opening when a hit from the small coast gun scared it away. (These were official reports.)

Two weeks later the "Troopis" brought in 38 members of the crew from the torpedoed "Penelope", plus nine members of their Navy gun crew. Two had been lost, including a Navy gunner who jumped from the crow's-nest as the ship caught fire. By this time a smoothing organization was collecting clothing for shipwrecked sailors, and this went on for many months, with shirts, trousers, sweaters, shoes, hats,

and even overcoats contributed to the pool.

*(Several years later, when it was possible to send clothing to Holland, hundreds of pounds were sent from here; it would undoubtedly have been a great deal more if so many employees had not cleared out all their surplus for seamen who often landed here in nothing but their oil-soaked undergear.)*

The events of February 16 and the succeeding days started an exodus both from Aruba and from the immediate refinery area. The weekend of February 21 approximately 140 women and children (from some 58 families) elected to return to the United States until things cooled off. In two days they were ferried by repeated trips of chartered airplanes to Maracaibo, from which they continued northward as seats became available on scheduled airlines.

(For over a year afterwards, the U.S. government would issue no passports for family members to travel to Aruba, because of potential danger and the uncertain food situation.)

During this week also, hundreds of truckloads of household goods were moved to other parts of the island by people living around the refinery's edges. Weeks later, as the plant survived night after night without again being a target for submarines, these residents moved back into their houses.

Meantime the refinery and marine operations were rapidly put on a wartime basis. Enormous blackout shields were installed at the Powerhouse and on the still furnaces; the men who ran the stills or worked in the harbor area after dark moved outside with flashlights showing only a tiny slit of light. Automobiles were blacked out, so that each headlight was covered except for a slit two centimeters wide and one centimeter high.

As it became evident that black was to be Aruba's favorite color for a long time, residents began inventing elaborate versions of blackout blinds; the more air your blind admitted without violating the regulation, the smarter you were and the more imitators you had.

*(An Army man said that it was the most complete blackout he had ever seen. There were several reports of U. S. Army fliers returning from submarine patrol duty being unable to find their field, and going over to un-black Maracaibo to wait for daylight. It was easy to take the blackout seriously when you felt that the raiders might be just over the reef looking in your south windows.)*

On February 22 work was started on

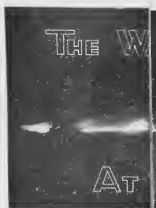
painting spheroids. (Even by starlight their silver gleam was plainly visible from the sea, and they held aviation gasoline like Allies badly needed). One spheroid had been sprayed with oil and then dusted with a liberal coating of caliche, but the idea proved impractical. The rest were painted black, the job taking almost two weeks.

At the same time first aid squads were organized by the Safety Dept. and trained by the Medical Dept. for emergency work anywhere in the refinery or residential area. Concentrations of first aid supplies were located in various areas for quick need. Evacuation teams were organized to coordinate getting "non-combatants" out of danger areas if attack came again. Bomb shelters were built of steel, concrete, and sandbags. Blackout wardens patrolled their rounds. The big refinery whistle would sound an alarm if needed, and evacuation sirens were installed near the Hospital and the old Esso Club.

The Army, which had placed its equipment with battlefield haste when Aruba got on the war map, now settled down for a long stay. The little tent camps at Lighthouse Hill, the Seagrape Grove, the spheroid field, the refinery waterfront, and the space between the big and little lagoons, began to be replaced by wooden barracks. Ammunition dumps were dug in the side of Lighthouse Hill. Gun and searchlight emplacements were made permanent, and a number of dummy (fake) guns appeared in various locations that were visible from the sea.

Sabatana Camp, which had started out as barracks for temporary Lago employees and had later been enlarged by Dutch and English military forces, now mushroomed again as the U.S. troops moved in beside their Netherlands and Aruban allies.

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Women worked hard to do jobs when the sewing they did, sometimes, meant after one of bars in Gronstedt, and later Luis Colony. His members barracks that had been central, into new ones. During the period of their houses, clothes were sent from here. Holland was freed, the need to do it arose. The picture below.

The scene of sad destruction Esso Club, when it was a ruin, 1942. Not enemy action had serious blow in the Colony a work placed the value of anti-

At bottom right, more women at the U.S.O. Club. Early in started the Shore and Stripper by employees' wives. Later it and continued to receive sub-employees. (Bob Vint, present to be the best U.S.O. in the a Marine.)





Toni Federle of Telephone Exchange a tende mas noticia di vapor na peliger durante di guerra cu cualkier otro hende. E tabatin un radio especial pa ricibi señalnan di S.O.S. di vaporan. Di dia di anochi, ki ora cu Federle a tende e señal ora cu un vapor tabata basta cerca pa Aruba duna yudansa, e tabata cumanda cu Kustbatterij Holandes of cu Navy Americano. Hopi bez Toni su apartamentonan a yuda salba hopi bida. Na principio, Kustbatterij no por a actuá unbez riba su apartamentonan, pasobra Toni tabata un stranhero, pero toch su apartamentonan di antemano tabata yuda nan pa duna auxilio cu mas prontitud. Despues Kustbatterij y Navy tabatin orde pa actuá unbez riba su apartamentonan.

One of the strangest incidents to take place in these early months of 1942 (when the hush-hush of censorship blanketed everything connected with the local war) was the report of a German submarine's appearance in Oranjestad harbor. The following is an account by one who was there:

"A few days after the first attack, some people saw the periscope of a submarine in the side harbor of Oranjestad. It was around one o'clock in the afternoon, and children on their way to school as usual forgot all about danger to satisfy their curiosity. There was a group of them on the waterside between the Fort and the radio station.

Soldiers on guard thought it was an American submarine; they never thought the Germans would dare so much. Later on they heard it was not a matter of daring, but that they had lost their way.

Children were still running to the waterside, when Army planes came over, dropping depth charges around the reef. The children thought all this very interesting and still didn't see any danger, but the teachers sent them to running back to school; they didn't stay there very long though, as soon mothers, fathers, or older brothers came to take them home.

Afterwards the German radio said that they had surfaced, and that they wanted to shell the radio station, but seeing so many innocent children along the waterside, they didn't do it.

If that's what really stopped them, we don't know, but that there was danger is a fact, because, looking through his binoculars from his house, Dr. Oduber could see the U-boat, with its gun aimed at Aruba; he could even see men walking on the deck, also looking through binoculars. When the planes came over, the submarine fled."

A. E. (Tony) Federle of the Telephone Exchange probably heard more bad news than anyone else around during the war. For a period of years there was hardly a ship sunk by submarines anywhere in the Western Hemisphere that Tony didn't hear, if there was time to send a distress signal. From Aruba to the Aleutian Islands in the Arctic, from Bermuda to the South Pacific, he listened to their S.O.S. calls, and once he listened as the radio operator on a hospital ship off the English coast sent out a desperate call for help as the ship was being torpedoed.

His was no idle curiosity about disaster. On more than one occasion his prompt handling of the news that a ship was going down near Aruba helped to save lives, and he has framed letters from the U.S. Navy's Admiral Chandler in Curaçao and Commodore Clement in Aruba to prove it.

Shortly after war broke out in '39 he borrowed a communications set from Cornelis Peeren, also of the Exchange, and set it permanently on 600 meters, the standard wave length for ships. Since ships break their radio silence in wartime only when they are being attacked, the only time Tony's radio sounded off was when a ship was in trouble. Then, even though he was asleep, the "S" signal (three dots) that took the place of "S.O.S." during the war would snap him to attention.

Before the U.S. Navy came to assist in the Territory's defense, Tony passed his reports along to the Dutch Coast Guard whenever a sinking was close enough for Aruba to assist with rescue work. Since Tony was a foreigner, the Coast Guard couldn't act on his reports without official confirmation, but on more than one occasion their rescue work was helped by the advance warning he gave them. Later, full authority was given Coast Guard and Navy forces to act quickly on his reports.

His work was most valuable one morning when a new "T-2" tanker, making its maiden trip, was torpedoed at 4:30 a.m. about 30 miles from Aruba. Almost while the ship was still sending its three dots, Tony passed the word along. It turned out that the submarine had later surfaced, and was circling the lifeboats and rafts, possibly preparing to fire on them. However, Coast Guard and Navy speedboats were able to reach the scene so quickly because of the early warning that all members of the crew were saved.

His citation from Admiral Chandler (who was later lost at Manila) reads: "It is most gratifying to know that you, of your own volition and through your personal willingness to contribute something extra to the war effort, have thus materially aided in the rescue of these survivors."

**TERCERA PARTE**

Februari 19 (1942) a cuminsa cu explosionnan na punta p'ariba di Aruba, sigui pa cartuchonan di bomba di luz cu a pasa den Esso Club y un Escheleer Quarters. (Mirn Esso News di November 4.)

E mainta yu excitacion a aumentá cu un incidente, cu apar di seriedad di guerra tabatin su banda pret. Mientras cu algun destroyer tabatin un milla for di costa pa convoyá nan, tres ocean tanker a sali for di haaf. Nan tabata e promesanan cu a sali for di proteccion di haaf desde e accion di submarino di tres dia promé. Hopi hende a para mira cu interva ora cu Aruba a transportá azela pa di promé bez despues di e ataque di 16 di Februari.

Un di e tankernan, "Typhoon" a caba di pasa e salda mei-mei di reef ora cu dos explosion a sagudi henter refinaria. E tripulantenan di "Typhoon" cu tabata den haaf di Februari 15-16, a mira e lake tankernan kima. Nan a

tende bombernan ta bula "constanteamente, y nan a mira claridad di repente di e zoelekhtnan grandi di Esherito Americano ta busca oibetonan sospechosu na costa den anochi. Nan a tende tambe e explosionnan gi e anochi anterior. Ora e explosionnan a sagudi refinaria, nan a kere cu tabata accion enemigo, y nan a boba lanchanan unbez y nan a rema bolbe haaf.

Mas haaf, un grupo di marinero masha confus a bolbe bordo di nan vapor, despues cu nan a tende cu e explosionnan tabata depth charge cu e destroyer cu tabata warda p'afor a los pa protegé nan.

No tabatin ningun duda cu no tabatin submarino afor, aunque nunca nan no a ataké e isla. Dia 21 di Februari nan a tree "Sun" den haaf, torpedá, pero toch afloje, pa Shipyard haci reparacionnan temporario riba gij. Algun dia despues "Thalia" a sink entre Aruba y Colombia, cu pérdida di un bida só.

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ars. One of their outstanding values these Coasters. The ship's daughters, first started to form in San Nicolas and of estranged guests by the ... and traced by limited counts. Thousands of dollars were being ... in help relieve suffering. When ... and Aruba continued to ... in early 1944, show groups at ...

left marked the end of the old ... of the House of June ... of the accident, the fire was ... of the ... of hard ... at a premium.

this time entertaining soldiers ... Lago Community Council had ... by the Council and effected ... were taken over by the U.S.O. ... in money and time from ... managed what was ... several years before he left to be ...



na dia despues di e promé ataque, algun hende a mira ... di un submarino poderá di haaf di Oranjestad. ... banda di m'or di merdia y muchanan na caminda ... sol, manera semper, a lubida peliger pa nan satisficé ... hiosidad. Tabatin un monton di nan pora na kanto di ... mei-mei di forti y atacion di radio.

tabata na warda a kere cu tabata un submarino Ameri ... pones nan no por a kere cu Alemanan por a trahi ... Despues nan a haya sa cu no tabata trahidat, na ... terdual e submarino tabata. ... nanan tabata sigui yena na kanto di lamar, ora cu ... naon Americano a cuminsa bula y nan a cuminsa ... "depth charge" banda di rif. Ainda e muchanan no a ... peliger, pero manestron a mandanan corre drecha ... unda nan no a keda largo, pasobra pronto maná ... runanan mayor a bin busca nan hita cas. ... tica Alemanan a lega sa cu nan tabata riba awa y ... kera tira riba stacion di radio, pero mirando tanto ... inocente na kanto di awa nan no a hici esey. Cu ta ... strobá nan nos no sa, pero cu tabatin peliger ta sigur, ... di su cas Dr. Oduber a mira door di verrekijter cu ... arino tabata riba awa y cu e calzon cu su boca 'riba ... y hasta e por a mira bombernan ta camina riba dek, ... do door di verrekijter. Ora aeroplanonan a cuminsa ... an a hui.



# NEWS and VIEWS

Bethoven, Chopin, Liszt, and other musical names equally famous appeared on the program when Miss Major, talented Surinam concert pianist gave a recital at the Sacred Hall, Bonaire, October 28. Miss Major, who also included in the program a number of her own compositions was enthusiastically received by the respective audience. Above, she receives the applause of her hearers upon the completion of one of her own pieces. The inset shows Miss Major at the keyboard. The pictures are by Samuel Rappaport.



Bethoven, Chopin, Liszt and other renowned names of musical talent filled the program of Miss Major, pianist Surinam, as she et e duna un concierto na Sociedad Bolivariana dia 28 di October. Miss Major tocaba tambe algun composicion di Srta. Major mes, aki riba e ta ricibi un aplauso entusiastico despues di su "Ballad Minde". Don hobbi drechi, Srta. Major na piano.

A study in grace, presented by sea girls that follow the ships of Lago's fleet in and out of Lake Maracibo. The cheeriest kind of center has just caught a throw piece of bread (visible in his mouth), while one behind him veers away to avoid collision and one above puts on the brakes.



Gracia y libereza demostrada por «paranan» (marineros), cu ta sigui tan-bien di Lago ora di dera y sali Lago di Maracibo. Euxa mas grandi a caba di waga un pida pan cu nan a tira na halto por (den su boca), y un otro bota di dia ta haci un haita pa nan na haki, mientras cu nan mas arriba ta dai su trabo. Euxa mas aditonal si no ta mora cu ningun bende, si a sigui bai su caminda hato.

Spirited melodies of haunting beauty come from the lips of the Fish Jubilee Singers when they captivated their listeners at the Sociedad Bolivariana November 18. Singing all types of music with equal care, their five men and three women directors are in the midst of a tour of Latin American countries. The picture below was taken by Samuel Rappaport.



Fish Jubilee Singers a cebra macha esta dia 18 di November na Sociedad Bolivariana. For di cuminsamento te fin di «programa» nan a cantaba e audencia grandi cu nan harmonia melodioso. E cinco cantores cu nan directora, Srta. Meyers a sigui pa America Latina. Arriba tin di gradici e antechi di cultura aki na Arubaanse Kunstkring.



More has of her passed Lohetin on stage. E stropi aki ta Pauline Goddard, cu antea tabata cana i cor-dora cu a bacia binti awe pa su su den e pelicula "Kitty" di Paramount, den cual e ta Ray Milland como co-actor.

"Two Gentlemen of Verona", Shakespeare with all the trimmings, was presented by an all-girl cast at the Methodist Church, October 28. A large, appreciative audience witnessed the production which was given by the Girls' League to help raise money for the new Church building. In one of the more dramatic scenes are seen Marie Gumbis, Myrtle Stewart, Lillian Gumbis, Elviede Brauco (centering), Ruth Abraham, and Eileen Williams. The play was produced and directed by Mrs. Ruby Stevenson. The picture was taken Samuel Rappaport.



It's surprising sometimes what you'll find under beach umbrellas — in Coirenia, at any rate. This find in Pauline Goddard, who recently bonded to co-star with Ray Milland in Paramount's "Kitty".



# AROUND THE PLANT

As he did several issues ago, the ESO News camera man made a trip around the plant once again. These are some of the pictures of employees pausing at their various jobs.

Mescos cu algun tempo pesá, fotógrafo di ESO News a bolbe saka portret den planta. Esakinan ta portretnan di varios empleadonan posando na nan trabao.



Shoveling away for all they are worth, these men are doing a fast job of loading the truck. Left to right, Neville Fortnum, Carlo Malgar, Joseph Gideon.

Trabando cu tur nan forza y liberca e tres bombonan aki na ta tuma muchu tempo pa carga e truck. Di robes pa drechi, Nevill Fortnum, Carlo Malgar, Joseph Gideon.

Lomba un edificio pa Light Oils training ta traha hasta pesa. E dos mihlanan, Francisco De Freitas y Phurica Scherbaai ta sesega un rato pa saka portret.



Putting up the new Light Oils Training Building is quite a job and these two messes took for a moment as the cameraman takes their picture.

A pair of Lucie's traveling athletes display their numbers. In the picture at right Raymond Jackson of the Dining Hall and Kevin Wong of the Stimulation are seen with the caps they won in Europe recently in the trial events for the Olympiad in Colombia; Jackson became champion in the Long Jump with a leap of 6.2 meters and Wong was top man in the 100 meter dash running it in 10.9 seconds.



In a new Job Training course in physics for T.S.D. employees, instructor E. M. Gillies explains the quanta of water pressure to his class. Formerly the only Job Training in T.S.D. was done in the Laboratories Division now with the new courses in physics, mathematics and chemistry, all the divisions will have trainers. At right in the picture, left to right: G. Scharfman, J. Porsand, Z. Khan, G. Rothmann, G. Farguam, M. Troit. Members of the class not seen in the picture are: G. Kunath, A. Ganshew, I. Chen, W. Bablon, T. Swinton and H. Lopez. With back to camera, instructor E. Gillies.



Guardians of the Gate at the entrance to the Tankfarm are Patrolman F. Maccost and F. Prevost.



Turbine Thijssen and Rupert Williams are the two launchmen sitting here on the "T" deck waiting for a call for launch service to come in.

Turbine Thijssen y Rupert Williams ta sinta riba "T" deck ta warda un llamado pa servicio di lancha pa nan pone man na obra.







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## WANTED: ONE SHIPOAD OF SWEET OIL (Available: A few cases of sweet oil)

Food shortages have not become less of a problem in the month since the war ended. It is true that we can get more, more fruit, more of some kinds of canned goods than we could two or three years ago, but there are still many kinds of food that cannot be bought in the quantities needed.

Unfortunately, the shortages now are in some plain foods that people want the most: Oils and fats, flour, rice, and cornmeal are foods that there simply aren't enough of in the world. You cannot buy large quantities of them no matter how high a price you want to pay.

Probably one of the most important reasons for this is that enormous quantities of food have been shipped to Europe, Asia, and other near-by areas in an attempt to recover the starvation of millions of people. At the same time business conditions everywhere have been topsy-turvy for many months. Recovery to normal conditions has hardly begun. Whether you want an automobile or a pound of rice, the answer is the same — there isn't enough yet to go around for all people who want them.

Also, on many essential items that we want, the United States and other countries that normally export food have either prohibited their export altogether or limited exports to small quantities, and at the same time made it very hard to get export licenses. Between export restrictions and the shortages already existing, it is impossible to keep full stocks of everything on hand.

One of the worst shortages recently has been in sweet oil (cooking oil). The Company's purchasing department in New York has made every attempt possible to increase the amount they are sending to us, and continues to try to find more, but so far it hasn't been possible to buy enough to supply the 7,000 Company's customers.

One shortage usually makes another. When the flour supply gets low, buyers switch to rice or cornmeal, and right away there isn't enough rice and cornmeal to go around. The shortage of sweet oil has created an increased demand for lard, which is also a hard-to-get item. Since we have to order six to nine months ahead, the increased sales of the substituted items create additional shortages. It then takes months to overcome these new shortages.

We are not the only ones feeling these shortages. Five bakeries in Curaçao recently closed for a week because they had no flour. The same thing has happened to bakeries in Oranjestad, and one local bakery is so short of flour that it is out of bread by the middle of each morning.

Next year we need a million pounds of flour, a million pounds of rice, and nearly half a million pounds of cornmeal. Recently the Plant Commissary sold 300,000 pounds of flour in one day (that's 150 tons). Fourteen thousand cans of canned milk were sold in a single day.

The Company's purchasing agents are leaving no possibility untried in the effort to meet the requirements for food. Better is soon to come from Denmark. Sugar (which is scarce all over the rest of the world) is coming to us in good quantities from Santo Domingo, Argentina, Venezuela, and Cuba are other sources.

It is difficult to be patient where food is concerned. But until many of the world's other difficulties are ironed out, there will continue to be shortages of many foods, and the Company will continue trying to secure all it can for its employees.

## NECESARIO: UN CARGO DI AZETA DUSHI (Obtenibel: Algun caha di azeta dushi)

Scarsad di cuminda no ta un problema cu a keda resolvi den e lunanan desde cu guerra a caba. Ta berdad cu nos por haya mas carni, mas fruta, mas di algun sorto di cuminda di bleki cu no por a haya tres anja pas, pero ainda tin hopi sorto di cuminda cu no por wordo cumprá na e cantidad cu ta necesario.

Desafortunadamente, awor aki e scarsad ta grandi den e cumindanan di tur dia cu ta di mas necesario. Azeta, rees, hifra, arroz y mashi ta comen di cual no tin basta den cantidad. Ho no tin comprá na e cantidad grandi masha cuanto bo ke pa.

Probablemente un di e motibonan principal ta cu anja pasá cantidadnan grandi di cuminda a bai pa Europa y Asia y otro teranan den mierca, pa millores di hendenan cu di otro manera lo a muri di hamber. Ademas condicionnan di respectu ta tur bruhí; ta poco-poco condicionnan ta birando normal atrobe. Sea bo ta desea un automobil of un liber di arroz, e contesta ta mecoso — no tin basta ainda pa tur hende cu ta desea nan.

Un otro motibo ta cu pa hopi di e articulonan cu nos ke, Merca y otro lugarnan cu ta exportá cuminda normalmente, a prohibi exportacion henteramente of a limitá exportacion na cantidadnan chikito, y tambe ta masha dificil pa haya permiso di exportacion. Entre restriccionnan y e scarsadnan cu e existi caba, ta imposibel pa tin tur cos na provision adecuado.

Un di e scarsadnan di peor tabata esun di azeta dushi

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(Ora indica cu ta reporter has turna in a tip for this issue)

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Below, H. Elshewitz, whose work is the study of insects, (see story at right) leads a burro out of a special trap where the animal had spent the night, to attract mosquitoes. The means for catching insects can be seen half way up the wall-meshing. Thinking about that samey idea, follow the wedge-shaped opening into the cage, and over inside there are another to find the narrow part of the wedge to escape.

Above, Dr. H. Elshewitz, made to trap the study of insectos (more about in page 7) to caha un burro for di un trampa especial den cual e bestia a pasa mes di atraye sangarman. Un mihor di e maysa ma pa mihor con e tabata usag e sangarman. Pensando riba e bestia p'adnan e sangarman ta dranta pa e burro cu ta huntu p'afar y cu ta caha mal p'adnan, pora ora nan ta p'adnan nan na por haya e burro a sal na sal.



recientemente. Departamento di Compras di Compañia na New York a haci tur su posibel pa aumentá e cantidad cu nan ta manda nos y nan ta sigui trata di haya mas, pero te ainda no tin basta posibel pa cumprá basta pa 7,000 clientenan di Comisario.

Un scarsad generalmente ta causa un otro. Ora cu e hariba ta scarsa, compradornan ta cuminsa pidi arroz di maishi, y unbes no tin basta arroz di maishi ma. Scarsad di azeta dushi a haci cu nan tabata cumpra mas rees, un articulo cu tambe ta trabahoso pa haya. Desde cu nos tin di hací pedida ses di muche luna adelanta, aumento di bonde di e articulonan cu a sustitui pa otro nan ta causa mas scarsad.

No ta nos só ta sinti scarsad. Na Curaçao cinco panaderia a cerrá recientemente pasobra nan no tabatin hariba. Mescos a pasa na Oranjestad.

Otro anja nos tin mester di un millón y mei di hariba, un millón liber di arroz, y casi mei millón di maishi. Recientemente Comisario den Planta a bendé 300,000 tier di hariba, den un dia (150 ton). Discuteri mil bleki di lechi a bai den un solo dia.

Agentenan comprador di Compañia no ta laga ningun oportunidad para sin cu nan haci esfuerzo pa haya e cuminda necesario. Pronto lo bli manteca Danés, Sucu (cu ta scarsa na tur parti di mundo) nos ta haya na cantidad regular for di Santo Domingo, Argentina, Venezuela y Cuba tambe ta exportá.

Ta dificil pa tene pasenchi en cuanto cuminda. Pero tamén e otro dificultadnan di mundo no wordé rigi, lo sigui tin scarsad di hopi cuminda y Compañia lo sigui trata na segurá tur loque e por pa su empleadonan.



## Mosquito Study Aided by Burros

Dr. Harold Elshewitz, entomologist of the Jersey Medical Department, in Aruba for two weeks recently to study the problem of mosquito control in various spots on the island.

The doctor's studies here were to determine the size and intensity of the mosquito nuisance and to seek out the breeding areas and recommend means for destroying them.

His way of getting specimens was something ordinarily seen around here. His traps consisted of large wood-frame screen cages into which burros were put each night to attract mosquitoes. A baffle arrangement let them in but kept them from getting out. Each morning the doctor went into the cages to gather up his plentiful specimens, and the burros were tethered to graze for the day.

Each two days the location of the cages was changed and a new spot was picked to be tested. This procedure gave a check as to which localities were the most infested with mosquitoes.

The doctor said that there are over a dozen varieties of mosquitoes in the area and that the ones here are of the same species as those so well known to anyone who has ever been in the New Jersey salt marshes.

Along with mosquitoes as a source of annoyance in this region is a type of sand flea or midge, also known as jennenes or no-see-ums. This particular insect has a bite all out of proportion to its size, which is very small as the name indicates.

When he had finished his work in the concession area, Dr. Elshewitz did further work on other parts of the island with the cooperation of the Government and local doctors.

After leaving Aruba, the doctor was to go to Curaçao for a few days and then go on to Venezuela for more study of insects in Company installations there.



## Move Tax and Customs Offices To New Zoutmanstraat Quarters

Now occupying space in a spic-and-span new building, the Tax Office and the Customs Office moved November 18, to new quarters directly opposite the old ones on the Zoutmanstraat in Oranjestad. The Tax Office occupies the second floor of the new building, while the Customs headquarters take up the first floor.

During wartime the building was used by the Schutters, but since the reduction in the military forces, it became available for other uses.

The old building will be used, after reconitioning, by the Public Health Service, whose facilities there will include an adequate laboratory.

## Oficina di Ontvanger y Douane Ta Ocupá Edificio Nobo

Dia 18 di November oficina di Ontvanger y Douane a pasa pa un edificio nobo y moderno, net enfrente di e oficina bieu den Zoutmanstraat. Oficina di Ontvanger ta ocupa e segundo piso, mientras cu Douane ta ocupa e promé piso.

Durante di guerra e edificio a wordé usá pa Schutternan, pero desde cu fuerzanan militar a cuminsa mengua, e edificio a bida disponible pa otro destinacion.

Despues di algun drechamento, e edificio bieu lo wordé usá pa Openbare Gezondheidsdienst (Hygiene Publico), y facilidanan nobo lo inclui un laboratorio.

Shown left is the new Tax and Customs building in Oranjestad.

Na banda drecha nan ta mira e edificio nobo di Oficina di Ontvanger na Oranjestad.



# THE WAR YEARS

## AT LAGO

(PART 4)

### 1939-1945 A SUMMING - UP

#### Wearing it out . . .

*In less than two weeks after the sneak attack on Aruba by German submarines February 16, 1942, the island had been put on a strictly war footing. (See ESSO NEWS of November 29). Netherlands troops, Marines, and Coast Guard, and the U. S. Army, Navy, and Air Force were here in considerable strength, and you were likely to bump into a searchlight station, gun battery, radar tower, or a company of soldiers on maneuvers almost anywhere on the island. The blackout was one of the blackest in the world, and plans for a siege, if it came, were well under way.*

The siege came, but strangely enough it was carried on a thousand miles from our shores. In the early months of 1942 the Battle of the Atlantic was a desperate struggle, for high stakes, to keep the seaways open. As ships loaded with food, oil, and munitions for the Allies along the U.S. east coast and in the Caribbean, Aruba felt the pinch too.

The intensity of the sea battle in February and March, 42 brought quick results here. Water never plentiful but always adequate suddenly became very scarce. As fewer ships got through the screen of submarines, food shortages developed also; neighbors and friends began sharing supplies when one had little and the other had plenty.

As long as the Caribbean Sea surrounded Aruba, and there were three evaporating plants on the island (two in the refinery at that time and one operated by the Government), the water situation could never become really desperate. But food was another matter. Not only did the shortage quickly become critical but no one could guess how long the submarine blockade to the north would last or whether it would get worse. Long-range plans to cover all possibilities had to be made, as in everything connected with war.

A whole shipload of canned goods, arriving at just the right time, guaranteed that no one would go hungry. Special warehouses were built for long-range storage, since it would no longer be possible to count on steady, scheduled deliveries. (Some essentials, like flour, could not be stored long because of quick spoilage in the tropics; many housewives will long remember their wartime

debates over what the point was where flour had too many things alive in it to be worth using.)

Colony Service men made trips all through the Caribbean area lining up sources of food, as it became more and more and more difficult to get food from the United States. (This situation still holds. The submarines are all anchored or sunk, but it is still a struggle to get enough food sent here from the States.) During this period, seeds brought here by plane were sent to Venezuela, planted by truck gardeners there, and the produce brought over by Lake Tankers.

While groups of torpedos survivors were a reminder that the war was popping all round us, there was little excitement here beyond the tenseness of total blackout, punctured occasionally by Army searchlights reaching far out to sea.

During the early hours of March 6, in a mystery never explained to the general public, an American soldier in the tank farm was shot; an artery in his leg was hit, and he bled to death. At 5:30 a.m. March 19 flares were seen at sea, and minutes later bombers headed in that direction, but no details became known.

The Lake Fleet had begun to sail again a short time after February 16. Air Corps bombing planes kept a continuous watch on the Aruba-to-Maracaibo waters and for a long distance around. Navy escort craft hovered around every convoy. Outside of marine circles it was not known until years afterwards that Lakers heading for Aruba used Amunay Bay, on Paraguana Peninsula (now the site of the new Standard refinery) as a rendezvous point. They slipped out of the Lake without escort, followed shallow water close to the Venezuelan coast until they could hole up in this big shallow bay, and when enough were ready to make up a convoy they were picked up by escort vessels. Thus about half of the conveying distance was saved, at a time when escort vessels were scarce and precious.

In March (still 1942) the Colony had its first War Chest Drive, with 75 per cent of collections earmarked for the United Cross and most of the balance for a soldiers' canteen run by Colony women, the Star & Stripes Club.

In June the Colony had a false scare when pre-dawn rain short-circuited the evacuation whistle and everyone bounced out of bed in a hurry. Things seemed quiet and under control, how-

ever, both overhead and out to sea, so no one evacuated.

Also in June the veteran Easo Club, built in 1929, burned to the ground. After an interval four Army barracks were placed in a hollow square and joined up to form temporary quarters which still house the club.

In mid-1942 a U-boat again struck at Aruba, this time indirectly. Hundreds of men were being recruited throughout the Caribbean area to help build the new gasoline-making equipment needed by the Allies. Over 3,000 were recruited, mostly from St. Vincent. The only transportation available was by schooner. One afternoon the schooner "Seagull", with 65 new Lagoties on board, was 30 or 40 miles from Caracas when a submarine surfaced nearby and unlimbered its deck gun for what must have been simply target practice. One of the first shells killed the schooner's captain, and before the firing was over several passengers and crew-members had been killed and others were injured. Survivors, who were attempting to get away in lifeboats, reported that the U-boat crew seemed to be enjoying their

grim sport — so much so that they failed to see a bomber coming at them from the down-wind side. The plane bombed the sub from close range, and sank it, according to unofficial reports. The alertness of the plane's crew saved dozens of lives on the helpless schooner. Later one of the lifeboats landed at Curacao and another beached on the Venezuelan coast. It is to the credit of St. Vincent's men that in spite of this tragic attack they continued to come in to Aruba by schooner.

Work, hard urgent work and a race against time, became the order of the day at Lago. "Hopi CON Pronto" became the slogan; it meant "a whole lot of evasion gasoline quick".

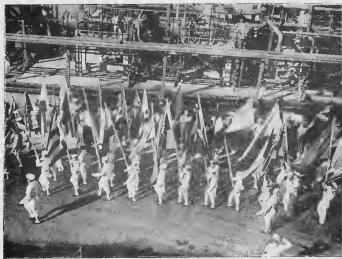
With the air-war being speeded up and airplane fuel desperately short, the refinery late in 1942 started on the construction of nineteen million dollars worth of equipment that would skyrocket our 100-octane gasoline production. On December 4, 1943, the new equipment was inaugurated. Repeated here, for the record, is a portion of the story as the ESSO NEWS told it at that time:

Overcoming wartime shipping and transportation difficulties, material and labor shortages, and blackout conditions, the job was done in record time. The "Cat" Plant, for instance, will be in operation before a similar plant in the United States on which construction was begun in advance of the local unit. On this huge and infinitely complicated structure, all building above the foundation has been done since March 1 (1943) and improvements were being made continually during construction so that it represents the last word in its class.

With every department contributing something to the program, it would be fruitless to give credits in detail, but some highlights can be mentioned. Some conception of the Warehouse staff's work can be seen in the fact that they handled 715, 17,000,000 worth of material in a great number of temporary storage spaces; out of that vast amount of material the right piece of equipment had to be delivered to the right place on the right job at the right time. Stevedores unloaded more cargo in less time than ever since the refinery began, sometimes as much as 10,000 tons awaiting them at one time. (An interesting sidelight is the fact that one cargo ship was started loading Lago construction material just seven days after it was launched.)

Many departments were on a continuous overtime basis for months. In the M. & C. Department much more than normal preparation of material was done, to keep reconstructed units out of operation the shortest possible time. The shops were continually called upon to





Methodists and United States color guards carried the flags of all United Nations when the Catalytic Cracking Plant was dedicated December 4, 1943 — dedicated to the proposition that the Allies must be given more and more aviation gasoline to do their job.

Banderamin di tur Naciones Un ta tabata dos paña di e dedicacion na Catalytic Cracking Plant, 4 di December, 1943 — dedica na e proposicion un Aliados mester haya mas y mas gasolina di avion pa nan hasi nan trabao.

duplicate parts that were broken in transit or failed to arrive in time through shipping irregularities. Operating Department revisions were shortened to the limit, and whenever a plant was reconstructed, some other unit was pressed into service to keep up production... The usual boundaries between divisions within Lago and between Lago and the contractors were torn down. Red tape was slashed in the delivery of material, the starting of work, the giving of orders — the keynote was "Do the work now, take care of the formalities later".

The grim fates of war still had two blows for Aruba's ships and men. Just after midnight on March 7, 1944, the lake tanker "Valera" was torpedoed off the Colombian coast, during a voyage to Panama. Captain William Russell, the only casualty, was lost while trying to swim to a raft through the heavy oil that surrounded the ship.

The wireless operator had attempted to send an SOS, but as the mist was down he didn't know whether or not the message went out.

One of the rafts on which the crew left the ship was adrift for seven days. The men had plenty of food and water,

and so were not in great danger. One of them, however, had the unique experience of surviving this week without medical attention to a broken hip he sustained when the raft, bobbing in rough seas beside the "Valera", had smashed into him as he jumped aboard. This was Peter James Every, now of the Curipito.

The raft was finally spotted by a Catalina flying boat, which radioed their position to a cruiser. They were taken to Panama, where Peter Every spent nearly four months in a plaster cast before returning to Aruba.

Six months later (September 18) tragically struck again, accidentally this time but with even greater cost in lives than the 1942 submarine attacks. At 3:15 a.m. in the pitch blackness 14 miles south of Aruba, the Belgian ocean tanker "Ampecto" crashed almost broadside into the "Punta Gorda". The smaller ship was sliced almost completely through, so that half of it hung suspended on the "Ampecto's" port bow and half on the starboard bow.

The lake tanker, with its full cargo gushing out into the sea, immediately burst into flames that also engulfed the forward half of the "Ampecto". By the time the boat was over 35 men had lost their lives — 35 on the "Ampecto" and 20 on the "Punta Gorda". Only five in the lake tanker's crew survived.

The laker soon sank, but the big ship burned out and was still afloat when daylight came. It was later towed to San Nicolas, and was tied up next to the Drydock for several months. The little handful of survivors lived at the United Seamen's Service club during this time, but spent each day on what was left of their ship. Eventually the hulk was towed away and used for target practise by the Navy and Air Corps.

The blackout, deepened on land, was far more dangerous at sea where ships were doubly battered — first as they fell their way through the blackness. When their cargo was lost, a tragic fate was almost a sure thing. This freighter, hit 40 miles north of Aruba, was cut almost to the keel but survived. (We never heard what happened to "the other tanker".)

Blackout, deepened na tera, tabata denbati peligrante riba mar, unda vaporan por a destrui epi: fectamente si nan yega na bako dan scardido. Si den un caso cuina nan tabata cerca cu un canchita tragico tabata e resultado cuo semper e vapor di carga aki, si hiba un mil 20 milla hay di Aruba, y el a parti casi tur, pero toch e sea y tab, (Nunca se a tende kico a pasa cu e otro).

The war years at Lago had seen many different conditions of excitement and dullness, anxiety and security, often the result of events thousands of miles away. There was the original outbreak of war in September, 1939; the invasion of Holland May 10, 1940; the United States becoming a belligerent December 7, 1941; the submarine attack on our ships and our shores February 16, 1942.

In the years after this, there was little to break the monotonous current of life that had one steady object: to keep Lago's production and shipments at the top levels demanded by always-increasing military needs.

Life in the later years was monotonous but not hard. The variety of food was narrow but there was no hunger. The blackout was irritating and hazardous, but in late 1943 it was modified to a "brownout" that was not so bad, and still later, after Germany's fall, was lifted entirely. Needless to say, we never lacked for gasoline as civilians did almost everywhere else in the world, although tires became more precious than gold.

Honors were heaped on the men and women of Aruba for their achievements in producing enormous quantities of aviation and motor gasoline, fuel and diesel oil, and other petroleum products for the Allied war machine. The Army-Navy "E" pennant was not given here, only because its provisions made it impossible to award it outside the continental United States. However, officials of the Army, Navy, government, and Lago's parent company extended high praise for a good job well done.

Many of Lago's men went off to fight the war more directly, in Army, Navy, Marines, or Air Corps; theirs is the satisfaction of taking an active part. No less satisfying, however, is the credit to those who stayed behind — who turned a valve, or "pushed a pencil", or hammered a nail — who did the million and one things, for six long years, that made Lago great in the war years.

## E Ultimo Anjanan di Guerra

Den menos di dos siman despues di e ataqe repentino riba Aruba pa submarineros Aleman dia 16 di Februari, 1942, e isla tabata den condicion stricto di guerra. (Mira Esso News di November 29). Tropanan Holandes, Marinieran, Kasabaterij y Esherto, Navy y Fuerza Aereo Americano tabata fuerte y riba heater e isla tabatin atencion di zoeiklicht, battery, toren of soldann. E blackout tabata un di esonan mas stricto di mundo, y plussan pa caso di situacion tabata na cuminada.

E situacion a bin, pero strano ta cu el a tuma lugar algun mil milla di nos ostania. Den prome lunan di 1942 Estadia di Atlantico tabata un lucha desesperante, cu a costa masha hopi pa tene rutanen di lamar habri. Ora cu vaporan argan cu cuminda, azeta y municion pa Alkandanan a perde pa via di torpedonan Aleman banda di costa Este di Merca y den Caribe, Aruba tambe a sufri consecuencianan.

Intensidad di e batalla riba lamar na Februari y Maart 1942 a duna resultado: nan aki. Awa, nunca na bundancia, pero toch adecuado a bira scars. Ora cu menos vapor por a pasa e blokada di submarinonan, cuminda tambe a cuminsa bira scars y bishianan a cuminsa parti cu otro.

Mientras cu lamar di Caribe ta rondona Aruba y cu tres planta di evaporá awa riba e isla (dos den refineria y un di Gobierno), situacion di awa no por a bira fatal nunca. Pero cu cuminda tabata diferente. No solamente cu scarcidad di bira critico, pero ningun hende no por a rey cuente e blokada di submarino lo dura di si e lo bira peor. Plannan di antemano pa cubri tur posibilidadnan mester a wordo haci, manera mester haci cu tur cos en conexion cu guerra.

Un carga completo di cuminda di mekico a yega net na tempo a garantisá cu ningun hende no a hunga hamber. Depositionan especial a wordo trahi. (Algun articulo no por a keda depositá mucho, pero chempel hariña, pa via cu nan ta dafa pronto den clima tropical.) Hombernan di Colony Service a haci viabanan tur rond di Caribe pa busca bishianan di cuminda, pasobra tabata bira dia pa dia mas dificil pa haya cuminda for di Merca. (Ainda situacion ta asina. Submarinonan tur ta acentá di zoeiklicht, pero ainda ta un lucha pa haya cuminda for di Merca.)

Durante e periodo aki nan a manda simyanan ca tabata bini di Merca cu aeroplanan pa Venezuela pa planta, y e productonan tabata bini Aruba abordo di tankernan.

Mientras cu gruponan di sobrevivientenan di torpedo tabata un muestra di guerra, tabatin poco excitacion, excepto e blackout total, den cual zoeiklichten Americano tabata lumbrá occasionalmente.

Durante oranan di marduga di Maart 6, den un caso misterioso cu nunca a wordo aplica na publico un solda Americano a wordo tira den tankfarn; un bena den su pia a bora y el a sangra te muri. Dia 19 di Maart, 5:30 di marduga tabatin claridad riba lamar y tabatin un grupo bombas tabata na cuminda den e direccion ey pero nan no a haya ningun detaleto.

Lake Fleet a cuminsa nabega atrobe unda despues di Februari. Bombas tabata tene warda continuo riba lamar di Aruba pa Marscabio. Cada cuicono tabatin vaporan di guerra chikito di Navy rond di nan pa proteccion. Heendenan di Marine so tabata sa cu lakernan pa Aruba tabata pasa pa Amuy Bay na peninsula di Paraguaná (unda nan ta bai lanta e refineria nobo), como un punto di encuentro. Nan a tabata sail di Lago di Marscabio sin ta escortá, siguiendo den,



lamar seco pegó cu costa di Venezuela te ora cu nan por a sconde den e bahía small y ora tabatin basta lakera pa forma un convoi, vapornan di escorta tabata pasa basta nan. Di es manera hopi distancia di convoi tabata gepar, den tempo cu vapornan di escorta tabata scara y precisoo.

Na Maart, 1942 Colony a hiba un spantop por nada, ora cu un awacero marduga a cumu korbushing cu a pone e poto di alumnos pa evacuación pita y tur hende a buia for di esna purá. Pero tur cos tabata quieto y bao control, tanto den laría como riba lamar y no tabatin nòdi di escucha.

Na Juni tambe, Easo Club trahá na 1929 a kima henteramente. Despues di algun tempo nan a traha un Club temporarily for di barakanan di Ehército.

Mei-mei di 1942 un submarino a bolbe afectá Aruba, e bahía aki indirectamente. Algun cien hombre a worde reclutá for di henter area di Caribe pa yudi contra equipu pa produci gasoline necesario pa Aliadonan. (Na tur, mas di 3,000 a bin traha aki, mayoría di St. Vincent.) E unico moda di transportación tabata pa barco di bala. Un atardi e barco "Sewall", cu 65 emplaño nobo pa Lago tabata mas o menos 30 di 40 mila for di Curaçao, ora cu un submarino a rija banda di nan, y a cuminá uss nan como blanco pa nan cañon di riba eed. Un di e promé tiranan a mata capitán di e barco y promé cu e tiramento a cabu, varios pasahero y tripulante tabata morto y otroan heridá. Sobrevivientenan cu tabata trata di bai den botonan di rema, a conta cu tripulantenan debe submarino tabata zona nan tiramento salina tanto cu nan no a ripará cu un bomber a acerca contra biento. E aeroplane a bombardá nòdi di acerca y segun rapportnan no-oficial nan a sink e submarino. Despues un di e botonan a yega Curaçao y un otro na costa di Venezuela. Mester bisa cu tabata balente di e hombernan di St. Vincent cu aspar di e ataque tráxico aki, toch nan a sigui bini Aruba.

Trabao, pero trabao duro y urgente y puestamento cu tempo tabata cos di tur dia na Lago. Y tur e trabao cu un doel: Hopi CON pronto, loque ta mifitá, hopi gasoline di aviación libé. Siendo cu tabatin mas guerra den aire y cu gasoline di aeroplane asina scars, na fin di 1942 refineria a cuminá cu construcción di 19 millón dollar di equipu cu lo aumentá produción di 100 octane gasoline extraordinariamente. Dia 4 di December, 1943, e equipu nobo a worde inaugurá. Aki bao nos ta ripití parti di loque ESSO NEWS a publicá e tempo ey:

"Veniendo dificultadnan di embarca-

ción y transportación durante tempo di guerra, escases di material y carencia di trahadornan, y condicionnan di black-out, e trabao a worde haci den e tempo cu a bati tur record.

Cu cada departamento contribuyendo algo na e trabao, lo a resultá pa traha di duna crédito na tur, pero un parti di e trabao mester worde menciona en particular. E Staff di Warehouse, por ejemplo, a trata materialnan pa e programa di construcción cu un valor di \$15,700,000 y tabata un problema masha grandi por entregá a debido pida material na e lugar propío y na e tempo apropiado. Alvan bec estibadornan tabatin duna crédito na tur, como 10,000 ton di cargamento apresuradamente. Hopi departamentonan a traha sobretotempo constantemente durante lunanan."

Ainda guerra tabatin mas tragedia pa Aruba su vapornan cu nan hendenan. Net despues di mei anochi, Maart 7, 1944, e lake tanker "Valera" a worde torpediá banda di costa di Colombia, durante un viaje pa Panama. Captain William Russell tabata e único cu a perde ora cu e tabata trata di aloná un viol, landando door di e azeta diki cu tabata rondadó e vapor.

E telegrafista a logra na manda un señal di SOS, pero como e mast tabata aban, e no tabata na e señal a pasa.

Un di e keda rifa cuale di tripulantenan a subi a vietna drief ariet. E hombernan tabatin basta cuminda y awa y pesey nan no tabata na gran peligr. Un di nan sin embargo, tabatin e experiencia di a survivi a seim ey sin atención medical pa un hump kibrá, causá pa e viet mes, cu a bal contra djé, ora cu e a buia for di e vapor riba y viet. E homber aki ta Peter James Every, avor di Curipito.

Porfin un vapor Catalina a mira nan y a telegrafá nan posición na un cruce-ro. Nan a hiba nan Panama y Peter Every mester a keda cutra luna den gips promé cu e por a bolbe Aruba.

Seis luna despues (September 18) otro tragedia! E bahía aki accidentalmente, pero causando mas pérdida di vida cu e ataquenan di submarino na 1942. Pa 3:15 di marduga, den seruidad espontáneo 14 mila pa suid di Aruba, e ocean tanker Belgicano "Ampetco" a boks aki recht den "Punta Gordas". E vapor chikito a parti casi henteramente na dos, di moda cu un mitar di djé a keda pegá na banda di e otro mitar na banda robes di "Ampetco".

E lake tanker cu su carga bashando na lamar unta, a pega canda inmediatamente y vianan grandi a cubri e parti delantero di "Ampetco". Ora cu e desastre a pasa, 55 homber a perde nan bida — 35 di "Ampetco" y 20 di "Punta Gordas". Solamente cinco di tripulación di e



Prominent visitors to Aruba during the war years included N.R.N. Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands in October, 1942, N.R.M. Princess Juliana in February, 1944, and Mrs. E. D. Roosevelt in March, 1944. Grace-Strating, Eusebio Rosavelli, is shown at the left, a reception at the Navy Commodore's home.

Notician prominente na Aruba durante añanan di guerra ta inclui Prins Bernhard na October, 1942, Princesa Juliana na Februari, 1944 y Señora Roosevelt na Maart, 1944. E partit ta muestra Eusebio Rosavelli cu a pasa aki read mundo, ora cu e tabata saltá di a reception na cas di Comandante di Navy.

lake tanker a sobreviví. E lake tanker a sink pronto, pero e vapor grandi a sigui kima y e tabata drief ainda, ora di dia habri. Despues nan a touwé hiba San Nicolas y el e keda mará banda di Drydock hopi tempo. E poco sobrevivientenan a hiba na Club di Servicemen durante e tempo aki, pero nan tabata pasa henter dia riba loque a sobra di nan vapor. Despues di tempo e resto a worde getowé y Navy y Fuerza Aérea a usé como blanco pa nan practice.

We war history of Aruba would be complete without Tom Evans' happy grin as he blends out news of the Japanese surrender on the Peacehouse while at 7:25 p.m. August 14, 1945.

Ningun storia di guerra di Aruba por ta complete sin e sonrisa di Tom Evans ora cu el a pila e pila di Peacehouse 7:25 di anochi dia 14 di Augustus, 1945, anochianda victoria riba Japen.

E anjanan di guerra na Lago a mira asina tanto diferente condicionnan di excitación y fastidio, ansia y seguridad, hopi hiba resultadonan di eventonan miles di milia leu. Por ehempel, cuminamento di guerra na September 1939; invasión di Holanda, Mei 10, 1940; participación di Merca den guerra, December 7, 1941; ataque di submarino riba nos vapornan y costanan, Februari 16, 1942.

Durante e anjanan despues di esaki, tabatin poco cos pa kibra monotonía di bida cu tabatin un solo doel: mantene produción y embarcación di Lago na top, manera necesidatnan militar tabata exigí.

Bida durante e anjanan cu a sigui tabata monótono pero no duro. Variedad di cuminda tabata poco, pero ningun hende no a pasa hamber. Blackout tabata irritante y peligroso, pero na último lunanan di 1943 nan a kita algun restricción cu a bin haci menos stricto y despues cu Alemanía a cai, blackout a kita henteramente. No tin nòdi di bisa cu nunca nos no a falta gasoline manera civilian tur otro parti di mundo, pero tiranan a bira mas precisoo cu oro.

Homber- y muherman di Lago a ricibi hopi elogio pa loque nan a logra produciendo cantidadnan enorme di gasoline pa aviación y motor, fuel y diesel oil, y otro productonan di petroleo pa machinanan di guerra di Aliadonan. Oficialidatnan di Ehército, Navy, Gobierno y Standardr mes a gaba e trabao bon haci.

Hopi hende di Lago a bai brigas den guerra directamente, drentando Ehército, Navy, Marine y Fuerza Aérea; nan tabatin e satisfacción di tuma parti activo aden. No menos satisfactorio ta e crédito na esnan cu a keda atras — cu a habri un kranchi, hiba nota, di clabo un clabo — esnan cu a haci mil y un cos, sele anja largo, cu a haci Lago famoso durante anjanan di guerra.



# NEWS AND VIEWS

One of the best ways known for winning up a vacation — three (maybe twelve) but happy — is demonstrated by W. H. (Scotty) Alder of the Encino Hotel. The picture was taken last month by Cavendish Zeman, chief engineer on the "F. H. Bradford Jr.," who knows his camera shutters as well as his diesel engines.



Four Legation representatives of the Aruba Flying Club December 1 when the Curaçao Flying Club dedicated a new clubhouse at Hitta Field and asked an air show to the program. Left to right in the first picture are Cy Van, Paul Gordon, Corneil Pieter, and Albe Shaw. The second picture shows a group of Aruba and Curaçao planes. For the large floor, the high spot in the day's events came when Corneil Pieter of the Valphaas Kustvaart, on a borrowed Curaçao plane, won the race to find a white cross that had been laid out "semihorizontaal" on the island. (Pictures through the courtesy of CPIM's magazine, "De Passaat".)



"A bad girl who looks good" might describe this talented young lady. Universal-Internationel's teen-aged star. She was a hit as the bad daughter in "Mildred Pierce", and plays another naughty part in "Sweet Guy", her newest appearance, with Benny Tetts. Ann Blythe is the name.



Every kind of costumed figure from Donald Duck to an Arabian thug, and thousands put in an appearance at the Esso Club's masquerade ball November 30. This group of Keweenaw hillbillies took the prize for the most original group. Maybe they should have had an extra prize, because none of them had much to do with the Old Keweenaw Home. Their names: John Ten Houte De Lange, Ah Van Montfort, "Tee" Scheffers, Frank Bending, and Herman Coxy.

Linton Bann, un di e tripulanten di e lake tanker "Tombador" ta gata cu un pisa (Spanish mackerel) cu nan a catch durante un viaje reciente pa Maracaibo, mientras cu e otro tres ta Lora cu e ta mara di e veyar ta hata suspensivamente. Ora cu tripulantenan ta cu un pisa y si nan logra na yuca mercado di San Nicolas na tempo, nan ta hata algo ter di nan placermentu.

Linton Bann, sportmaster on the lake tanker "Tombador", shows off a new-sized Spanish mackerel, caught by the ship's crew on a recent Maracaibo trip, while the other three (who he sees the ship's quality, respectively) Mace's lakers carry a fishline off the shore; when the fishermen get a catch like this, and can hit the San Nicolas market at the right time, it is worth good money.

No strangers to Aruba's lovers of good music, the Amescos all-girl orchestra poses for a picture before members while appearing at a dance at the Lago Club November 14. It was a return engagement, the girls coming to Aruba a second time after their appearances in Caracas. Picture by Samuel Hainbo.





# AROUND THE PANT

Roland Stevenson, until recently of the Pressure Station, left Aruba for California, November 23. Roland planned to visit relatives in the States and later to become a student for the Episcopal ministry.

Rudolf Smith, of Machinists, married Miss Iris Eddie, of Lago Hospital, at the Anglican Church in San Nicolas, with a reception following the ceremony.

John Stewart, of the Pipe Department, left on his long vacation to Grenada, December 4.

Estevan Croes, of the Foundry, married Cecia Bookhout November 28 at Sabaneta. The couple was presented with a vanity set by Hugh McGibbon, Foundry foreman, in behalf of the Foundry employees.

"Cappie" Weaver of the Marine Office returned to Aruba December 4 after spending part of his long vacation seeing the sights in Caracas.

Franklin Horan Sooi of No. 2 Lah. is now on his 10 week long vacation to Paramaribo, Surinam. He left Aruba by plane for Curaçao December 5 and sailed from there to Surinam.

Evaristo Koek of No. 2 Lah. left on a six week long vacation December 2. He hoped to be able to spend it in Caracas.

Delogrado Evron of the Drydock started a four week vacation December 11. Francisco Feliciano stopped driving his truck for four weeks December 14. Juan Lampe and Richard Sam left for six weeks and Placido Hernandez started five weeks December 16. Frederick Park left for seven weeks December 18. He planned to go to Surinam for the holidays. Luciano Rosenberg left for four weeks December 19.

Claude Bolah, ESSO NEWS reporter for Colony Maintenance, left Aruba

December 12 for his home in Grenada with his wife and daughter. Claude will spend his 12 weeks visiting his family and showing his wife and little girl about the island, for they have never been there before.

Bernard Marquis, ESSO NEWS reporter for the Marine Office, is back from a vacation in Cuba where he says he spent a very enjoyable time seeing the sights. Bernard was greatly impressed by the size and beauty of Havana and by the hospitality of the people there.

Hewley McGibbon of the Catalytic Department left December 1 to spend a nine-week long vacation with his family in British Guiana.

Eric Crichton, ESSO NEWS reporter for the Catalytic Department, celebrated his twenty-third birthday with a party in the Lago Heights Bachelor Quarters November 28. Eric had a number of friends in for refreshments and some songs. Among the guests was Hewley McGibbon who sang, in his well trained voice, several popular songs from well known operettas. Everyone agreed that the party was a complete success.

Adrian Zewjwick, file clerk at the Marine Office, left on long vacation December 13 and was planning to travel to Surinam by way of Trinidad. Adrian has been a Lago employee for 18 years.

Teresta Schaap, nurse at the Hospital, left for her home in Santo Domingo December 16 for an 8-week vacation, her first visit there in five years.

## SCHEDULE OF PAYDAYS

Semi-Monthly Payroll	
Dec. 1-15	Monday, Dec. 23
Dec. 16-31	Thursday, Jan. 9
Monthly Payroll	
Dec. 1-31	Friday, Jan. 10



Surrounded by well wishing friends at the Drydock, Camille Pantaphier receives a wedding gift of a silver plate and silver serving set from Sidney Drake. The gift was presented on the occasion of Camille's marriage to Viola Clark at the Church of St. Theresa November 27. A reception followed the ceremony at the S.I.A.

## Credit Raised for Staff And Regular Employees

Commissary credit for all staff and regular employees for December is being increased by Fla. 20, according to an announcement made early last week.

This was done as a convenience to employees, since Commissary purchases are heavier than usual during the holiday season. It was suggested by the Employees' Advisory Committee, which pointed out that employees could thus buy additional supplies on credit for the Christmas and New Year holidays.

## Aumento di Crédito

Crédito di Comisario pa tur empleadoan Regular y di Staff pa luna di December ta aumentá cu Fla. 20, segun un anuncio haci na cuminzamiento di siman pasá.

Esaki ta pa conveniencia di empleadoan, siendo cu compranan na Comisario ta mas hopi duran dianan di fiesta. Esaki a wordo proponi pa Comité Consultativo di Empleadoan, cu a muestra cu di es manera empleadoan por compra mas cos na crédito pa dianan di fiesta di Pascu y Anja Noto.

## NEW ARRIVALS

- A son, James Klenard, to Mr. and Mrs. John Walker, November 21.
- A son, Robby Evaristo, to Mr. and Mrs. Beavaria Arends, November 21.
- A son, Roberto, to Mr. and Mrs. Mathias Vrolijk, November 21.
- A daughter, Elizabeth Isabel, to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kachoff, November 21.
- A son, Emanuel George, to Mr. and Mrs. Annette Williams, November 21.
- A son, Eric Arndt Franklin, to Mr. and Mrs. William Hillen, November 21.
- A daughter, Cynthia Patricia, to Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Post, November 23.
- A son, Martin Luther, to Mr. and Mrs. Walford Cummings, November 23.
- A daughter, Corinne Patricia, to Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Lolo, December 2.
- A son, David Lawrence, to Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Jans, December 2.
- A daughter, Gloria Philomena, to Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Post, December 2.
- A daughter, Lella Cathline, to Mr. and Mrs. Gulliver Rogers, December 2.
- Two daughters, to Mr. and Mrs. Richard J. Lick, December 2.
- A son, David Washington, to Mr. and Mrs. Gustavus J. van der Meer, December 2.
- A son, to Mr. and Mrs. Josef Ouel, December 2.
- A daughter, Beatrice Louise, to Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Levesque, December 2.
- A daughter, Jacqueline Marie, to Mr. and Mrs. George Dreyer, December 2.
- A son, to Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Craig, December 2.

We regret an error in the last issue, by which little Susanne Brijl Fernandes, born November 2, was listed as "son". Her father, Eddie Fernandes, wants it definitely known that Susanne is a daughter.

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## Kid's Korner

## Cabel di Oro

Hopi tempo pasá tabatin un cuadro di carné cu su casá y su yio ta biba den un cas banda di mondi. E yio tabatin cabel loro blond cu tabata lombra mecos cu hús di solo y piesey nan tabata yamé "Cabel di Oro". Un dia e bai mond pa contra cu su tata, pero el a veridwal e y no por a haya su cas.

El a camna tres dia largo; ora e tabatin hamber e tabata comi fruta y anochi e tabata drumi den palo. Di cuater dia e a yega na lambar. Tabata algun piscador ey y ora nan a mira e mucha un a grita:

"Eta un bunita muchu. Laga nos han cané." Cabel di Oro ya a perde speranza di haya su cas y como e tabata sintá masha só, el a dicidí di bai cu nan. Nan a sá pa piscu, pero nan no tabatin suerte; nada nan no por a cobí. Porfin un dia di mas bieu di cu Cabel di Oro: "Ata mi redá, purá si bo tin mihor suerte." Cabel di Oro a tira e redá, pero ora e e kera sáké, a parece cu e redá a pega na un baranca den fondo. El a ruka cu tur su forza y porfin e redá a bini ariba. E redá tabatin montó di ta piá, pasobra den djé tabatin un corona di oro puro, tur domá cu piedra nan precioso.

"Cabel di Oro, ta ta nos rey", e piscador bieu di, "cién anja pasá nos rey bieu tabata muriendo y como no tabatin ningun hende pa siguié, el a tira su corona na lambar, y e di cu esun cu hayé lo ta rey."

E piscador nan a bolbe tera unber y nan a biba Cabel di Oro na un pueblo grandi, y nan a pone riba e trono di oro. Cabel di Oro a manda un wagen cu seis cabal blanco pa busca su mama y tata na mondi. Nan no por a kere, sino te ora nan a mira nan yio riba trono cu su corona precioso hús.

Cabel di Oro tabata un bon rey, y tur hende tabata stímé. El a reiná hopi anja largo y dia cu el a muri tur hende a yora nan rey stímá.

## Golden Hair

Long ago a shepherd, his wife and a son lived in a hut by the wood. The boy had long blond hair, that sparkled like sunlight, and therefore they called him Golden Hair. One evening he went off to the wood to meet his father, but he got lost and couldn't find his way back home. He walked around for three days, eating fruit when he was hungry and when it got dark he climbed in a tree to sleep. On the fourth day he came by the sea. There were some fishermen around and when they saw the boy, one of them cried: "Oh, what a pretty boy. Let's take him along with us."

Golden Hair had lost all hope to ever find his home again and as he was very lonesome he decided to join the fishermen. He climbed on the boat and they went out to fish. The fishermen didn't have any luck, they couldn't catch anything. At last the oldest among them said to Golden Hair: "Here my boy, take my net and try your luck."

Golden Hair threw out the net, but when he wanted to pull it back, it seemed as though the net had stuck on a rock on the bottom. He pulled with all his might, and at last he managed to bring up the net. No wonder he had to pull so hard, for in the net there was a crown of pure gold, studded with all kinds of

precious stones. "Golden Hair, you are our king now", said the old fisherman, "a hundred years ago our old king was dying, and as there was no one to follow him, he threw his crown out in the sea and said that the one who found it would be king."

The fishermen hurried back to land and brought Golden Hair to a beautiful palace. Lots of people came to welcome their new king. Golden Hair sent out a carriage with six white horses to the wood to find his parents. They could not believe it was true, until they saw their son on the throne with his precious crown on his head.

Golden Hair was a good king and everybody loved him. He reigned for a long time, and when at last he died of old age, the whole country mourned for their beloved King Golden Hair.



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